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Home of Jo Arnold



SNYDER QUEEN — Senior Kelsi Johnson was crowned Snyder High School homecoming queen at halftime Friday night. She was esctored by her father, Tommy Johnson. (Contributed Photo by Ronny Collins)



IRA HOMECOMING QUEEN — Amanda Calley Friday night was crowned Ira High school homecoming queen by last year's queen, Celeigh Sterling. (Contributed Photo by Becky Hudgins)

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Money talks but seldom enough to bore anybody.

So far, we haven't had to change any more diapers, but thanks for asking.

We might this weekend, as Nate's parents will be in Lubbock watching the annual Aggie-Texas Tech shootout.

Actually, we've been too busy teaching the dude his multiplication tables to worry about soiled laundry.

Actually ole what's-her-name says we flunked math, so we might as well fail at changing the lad.

Actually, we never did have much confidence in math teachers, and it all started in the first grade.

On a Monday, Mrs. Knudson told us that 2 plus 2 equals 4. Then on Tuesday she changed her mind and said that it was 3 plus 1.

It's been downhill ever since.

Many Snyder residents will remember George Patterson, longtime Snyder city manager who left here in 1978 to become manger of the Village of Highland Park, surrounded on three sides by Dallas.

Even though Patterson was the city manager, he always mused that he couldn't afford to live in that exclusive, upscale community.

A recent edition of Texas Monthly had a story about Highland Park and how the police are even called on to change residents' light bulbs.

But our favorite story was when the city sent every household a city budget for inspection before the city council voted on it.

As the story goes, one wealthy resident read the budget and thought it was her tax bill — so she wrote out a check and mailed it to city hall.

And our newspaper friend in Vernon passed along some "if" rules worthy of consideration:

—If it's no big deal, don't worry about it.

—If you can't do anything about it, don't worry about it.

—If it's someone else's problem, don't make it your problem.

—If it is easily fixed, it doesn't matter whose fault it was.

—If it's done, it's done. If it can't be undone, don't try.

—If there's no damage, don't make a project out of it.

—And if there is something you can and even should do about it, there will become a time when you'll wonder why it mattered.

Parting shot:

Living in the lap of luxury isn't bad as long as you remember that luxury may stand up.

White Buffalo event features '50s theme

A full schedule of activities is planned for next weekend's White Buffalo Festival that will have the theme of "Back to the '50s."

The event will highlight an era in the history of Snyder when the "boom was on." A 1950s style show will bring back some memories, as will a 1950s dance contest.

Those are just two of the activities scheduled for next Saturday.

The event will actually get underway Friday afternoon with booths opening in the coliseum at 4 o'clock and remaining open until 9 p.m.

Also on Friday, the Heritage Village on the grounds of the coliseum will open, featuring tours of the Dermott School and the Dodson House from 4-6 p.m.

Most of the activities will be next Saturday with booths opening at 9 a.m., as will the pioneer skills presentations.

Early-day skills to be demonstrated in a tent between the Dermott School and the Dodson House are wood carving, rug braiding, horse shoeing, lye soap making, cowboy gear making, knitting, quilting, crocheting and biscuit making.

Also Saturday morning at the Dermott School, SHS graduates of 1946-1948 will host a reception with refreshments until noon for current and former residents.

Registration for the horseshoe pitching contest also will be at 9 a.m. Saturday along with several other events.

These include the quilt show, domino tournament, antique farm equipment and car show, and air rides for children.

At 10 a.m., the stick horse rodeo and pet parade will be held, and the Texas Gunslingers will perform outside the coliseum.

A memorial to the late Donna Fowler will be unveiled at 11 a.m. at the horseshoe pitching area. Fowler served as the Snyder Chamber of Commerce executive director and was the manager of the coliseum when the horseshoe pitching area was built.

Around this same time, the Ballet Folklorico will be performing in the coliseum.

Other events Saturday include the Deep Creek Cloggers at 2 p.m., and the 1950s style show at 3 o'clock.

Snyder brick plant to file for reorganization

Snyder Brick and Tile, a company that three years ago brought back to life an abandoned production facility in Scurry County, Monday will file for bankruptcy protection in Lubbock.

Wilson Thomas, company president, said the decision to file for reorganization under Chapter 11 came after consultation with lenders and their attorneys.

The action apparently will cancel foreclosure sale of the brick plant property southeast of Snyder which was scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Scurry County Courthouse.

The plant has struggled since reopening on Nov. 17, 2000. A decline in the home building market since Sept. 11, 2001 was a major economic blow, Thomas said. "But what we have accomplished in the past 45 days has been phenomenal."

A seven-month deal for another company to purchase Snyder Brick and Tile fell through in July. "This entire process trapped us in a 'catch 22' situation and tied up our assets in performing sell and transfer obligations.

"Within hours of the debacle, we began to regroup. Within days we were on the road to aggressively soliciting new business and gleaning direct accounts and distributors, including commissioned direct sales people."

Thomas added that in a matter of weeks, Snyder Brick and Tile possessed orders for brick they had never made and new clients.

"Within 35 days we were shipping brick to new accounts in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Utah and Idaho. "We now have 50 distributor locations in 14 states."

Thomas said last month that Snyder Brick and Tile had finalized a new agreement with Acme Brick Co. to stock up to three truckloads of products at five Texas locations.

Snyder Brick and Tile currently is producing 50,000 bricks a day or 800,000 a month. Orders placed in September was 1.3 million bricks. Thomas said he expects the plant to reach 1.3 million bricks production capacity by mid-October.

"This obviously exceeds our capacity, so we are encouraged that we will need to increase our output to meet future demands," Thomas added.

Snyder Brick and Tile was financed by Omni-Bank of Houston with a 90 percent loan guarantee by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The Development Corporation of Snyder has completed its job creative incentives with Snyder Brick and Tile that employs 36. Thomas said Friday the company is now hiring and will increase the local workforce to 41 in a matter of days. Mitchell Goodger is the local plant manager.

Chamber starts over on executive director search

The Snyder chamber of commerce's search committee for a new executive director is starting over.

Following a noon meeting Friday, the chamber board voted to re-advertise the position and set a deadline for applications for Oct. 24.

Chamber President Mike Thornton said the 27 persons who already have applied will be considered and that they may add supplemental information or they may withdraw the application.

"The chamber board's feeling was that we have not fulfilled our responsibility to Snyder in trying to fill this position."

Thorton said that tentatively the search committee would meet Oct. 30 review all applications, both current and new, and to narrow the field and make a recommendation to the full chamber board.

Thornton said he anticipated interviews with finalists the week of Nov. 3.

The search committee earlier had arrived a list of three finalists — one from Snyder, one former resident now living in Grapevine, and one from Odessa.

The chamber board conducted interviews with Susie White of Snyder and Richard Waters of Grapevine. Susie Henry of Odessa failed to appear for her interview Tuesday because of a reported conflict. The board decided not to reset the interview and then agreed to reopen the post for new applications.

The executive director's job has been vacant since the death of Donna Fowler.

For hospital district election...

Court to get petitions

Scurry County commissioners' court Monday is expected to formally receive petitions requesting an election to form a hospital district as a way of helping the financially-strapped Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

The meeting begins at 10 a.m., but the court will have to wait until its regularly scheduled session on Oct. 20 to set an election date. An election could be held in early December.

County Clerk Joan Bunch reported certification of 391 of the 393 signatures on petitions calling for the election. Only 100 qualified signatures were needed.

All current members of the Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers are listed on the petition as temporary hospital district directors.

Board members are Carl Williams, Bo Robinson, Charles Church, Terry Williams, Bill Voss and Dink Foree. Also proposed as a director is J.B. Tate, a former hospital board member.

As a county hospital, all board members currently are appointed by the commissioners' court.

If a hospital district is formed, a permanent board of seven directors elected from at-large and from the four commissioners' precincts will govern the hospital district. The petitions called for a maximum tax rate of 50 cents per $100 valuation of property, but the elected board would set the actual rate on a yearly basis.

The court also will consider retaining the law firm of Fulbright and Jaworski to assist with issues related to the hospital and hospital district elections.

"We want to make sure we're in compliance with the law regarding hospital issues," said Scurry County Judge Rod Waller.

Another item on the agenda is the interlocal agreement with the City of Snyder. That contract also is on the city's Monday night agenda. City and county attorneys have been working on a new agreement for approval by both entities.

All seven items originally proposed by the city will remain intact for the new pact, with the city agreeing to pay $50,000 for EMS services.

The city will continue countywide fire protection while the county will provide ambulance

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ASK US

Q-If a hospital district is approved, will it have the same management? A-That would be up to the new board.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Janie McCormick...

...is a lifelong resident of Snyder. She works at Friendly Flowers and is married to Mark, who is president of McCormick Marketing. They have one daughter, Megan, 16, who is a sophomore at Snyder High School, and a son, Matt, 18, who attends Abilene Christian University. Her hobbies include gardening, cooking and quilting.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The more wells you drill, the greater chance you have of finding oil.

—H. L. Hunt

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

WTC to present play

Western Texas College's drama department will present *The Yellow Jacket*, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Fine Arts Theatre. Tickets are 5 for adults and $3 for children. Call 573-8511, ext. 234 to reserve tickets.

Butterfly photo shoot

The first Hermleigh Monarch butterfly photo shoot is being held Saturday and after church on Sunday at 358 Wheat Street in Hermleigh. Bring camera. Lawn chairs will be provided.

Colonial Hill program

The Women's Ministry of Colonial Hill Baptist Church will present Beth Moore's seven-week study, *When Godly People Do Ungodly Things*, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Sunday in the Adult 5 classroom. Books cost $12 each. For more information, call the church office at 573-8596 or Trina Rodgers at 573-8817.

Grand jury

The Scurry County grand jury is expected to consider 18 felony cases when it convenes at 9 a.m. Monday in 132nd District Court.

United Way packets

United Way packets will be distributed to businesses on Monday and will be picked up by Nov. 21. Packets are bright orange. For more information, call 573-5311.

Hermleigh booster club

Hermleigh's booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the cafeteria.

VFW meeting

VFW Post 8231 will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the post home. The district president will be present and members are urged to attend.

SHS band boosters

The Snyder High School band boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the band hall.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "What is Baptism of the Holy Spirit?" followed by "Another Gospel."

TSA booster club

The TSA booster club will meet at 7:15 p.m. Monday in the shop building at the high school.

Stanfield parent council

The Stanfield parent council will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the teacher's lounge in the front hallway.

Big Country open house

In observance of National Cooperative Month, Big Country Electric Cooperative will host an open house from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Wednesday at the office in Snyder.

Cub Scout bike rally

Snyder Cub Scout bike rally is set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the coliseum parking lot. For more information, contact Rhonda at 573-6090. The event was rescheduled due to rain.

Free tutoring

Free tutoring for students is available Monday through Thursday at the Boys and Girls Club. Schedule a time between 4-7 p.m. or drop in from 5-6 p.m. Tutors will be members the Student Government Association at Western Texas College. To register call, 573-8511, ext. 276 or 573-3344.

First Baptist support group

First Baptist Church is sponsoring a support group for people facing difficulties, including cancer, divorce, grief, etc. on the second Thursday of each month. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first floor Adult 6 Department.

Missions conference

Calvary Baptist church, 2405 35th, will host a missions conference Oct. 15-19. Guests will include Bruce Garner from Mexico, Josh Warneke from Fiji, Jerry Abbott from Hungry and Jeremy Brann, church planter in Marble Falls. The feature speaker will be Mike Haley, pastor of Hallmark Baptist Church in Fort Worth. Services Wednesday and Thursday are at 7 p.m. The missions banquet is at 7 p.m. Saturday. Sunday services are 9:45 a.m. Sunday school, and 10:50 for worship.

Horseback riding club

The horseback riding club will begin Friday, Oct. 17, at 1368 Smith Ave. Contact Debbie Elder at 574-1622 for more information.

Snyder missionaries to speak

Charlie and Pat Reynolds, Snyder missionaries to the ...ice in Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador, will speak at Trinity United Methodist Church Sunday, Oct. 19, at 6 p.m.

SHS 1958 class reunion

SHS class of 1958 has sets its 45th reunion for Nov. 7-8. The organizational meeting is slated at 1:30 p.m. Sunday in the Wedding Band classroom at First United Methodist Church.

SJHS yearbooks

Snyder junior high Tiger Times yearbook is on sale through Nov. 25 in room 110. Cost is $16 or students may make an $8 deposit. No extra copies will be ordered.

Senior citizens swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens at WTC is held from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call 573-4035.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

October 24-25...

Marriage conference will be simulcast at East Side Church

Dr. Gary Smalley, Dr. Greg Smalley and the Smalley Relationship Center will host the fall 2003 marriage conference, *Love, Romance and Sex: It's All God's Idea*, Oct. 24-25, live in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Churches across the nation, including one in Snyder, will be linked via satellite to the conference.

East Side Church of Christ and Colonial Hill Baptist Church are sponsoring the conference in Snyder. However, the sessions will be available at East Side, 201 31st, only. Times include 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 24, and from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m on Saturday, Oct. 25.

Tickets are $20 per couple. Childcare will be available. Reserve tickets by calling 573-3583.

World-class speakers will include Gary Smalley, Kevin Leman, Wellington Boone, Joyce and Clifford Penner and comedian Ken Davis.

Award-winning Christian music artist Steven Curtis Chapman will perform and share the stories behind the songs on his latest album, *All About Love*.

Each of the sessions will feature a speaker in their individual area of expertise:

- The marriage mission: Wellington Boone;
- Understanding your mate: Gary Smalley;
- Building intimacy "Keeping the Door Open:" Greg Smalley;
- Romancing your mate: Kevin Leman;
- The gift of sex: Dr. Clifford and Joyce Penner;
- God's Perfect Plan For You: Dr. Greg Smalley and Dr. Gary Smalley.

In addition to the Friday night and Saturday simulcast, there will also be a Thursday night student simulcast, *Don't Date Naked: Put On God's Armor*," hosted by the speaker and author of the book by the same title, Michael Smalley, and Joe White, author of 18 books including the best-seller *Pure Excitement* and owner of Kanakuk Kamps, the largest Christian camp in the world.

Dove Award-winning music group By The Tree will also perform.

Davenport inducted into THPA

Johnny Davenport of Post, a member of the Snyder Slingers Horseshoe Club, has been inducted into the Texas Horseshoe Pitchers (THPA) hall of fame.



Johnny Davenport

Davenport, the 34th THPA member to be inducted, is the first West Texan to claim membership.

Davenport and his wife, Jean, are charter members of the Snyder club and have remained members since it was organized on Jan. 28, 1997.

Davenport designed, directed construction and sanctioned the horseshoe courts located on the grounds of the Scurry County Coliseum.

Davenport gave special thanks to Dorothy Duncan for "getting the ball rolling on this three years ago. Without her, I would never have received the honor."

Davenport has been instrumental in forming several clubs in the Panhandle and on the South Plains.

He holds several class and tournament championships sanctioned by the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

Along with his pitching partner, Bob Gilmore of Lubbock, Davenport holds the THPA 1956 and 1996 Texas State doubles title.

An assistant regional director for the THPA since 1993, Davenport is the developer of his own pitching shoe sold nationwide.

A member of the NHPA for 20 years, Davenport's induction into the Texas Hall of Fame came during ceremonies as part of the Texas State Singles Tournament held Sept. 12-14 in Littlefield.

Budget cuts planned

NEW YORK (AP) — The mayor's office on Friday told most city agencies to target 3 percent of their budgets — $300 million in total — for potential cuts.

In a memo sent Friday, Mayor Michael Bloomberg's budget director, Mark Page, said the city continues to face hard times despite an improving economy.

Page said the cuts may prove necessary because the city faces a projected $2 billion deficit next fiscal year.

The city Department of Education, avoiding the brunt of the costs, was asked to set aside less than 1 percent of its budget instead of the 3 percent that other agencies, including police and fire, may have to trim.

The cuts could go into effect as soon as November.

To erase a projected $6.4 billion deficit last fiscal year, Bloomberg cut city spending about $3 billion, ordered some 5,500 layoffs and raised property taxes 18.5 %.

Dance Contest



White Buffalo Days

"Celebration of the 1950's"

When: Saturday, October 11, 2003

Where: Scurry County Coliseum

Snyder, Texas

Time: Saturday, 4:00 pm

Best Dancing Skills & Costume

1st Prize $100

Contestants may pre-register before Saturday by calling

The Coliseum 325-573-9811

James Bode to perform

First Christian Church will celebrate its 50th anniversary in its present building on 37th Street next Sunday.

James Bode of San Angelo, a jazz percussionist for 30 years, will be in concert at 1:30 p.m.



J. Bode

Bode is the founder and director of the newly formed West Texas Jazz Orchestra, a 17-piece big band based in San Angelo, and drummer for Jazz Concho, a jazz quintet based in San Angelo.

An active arranger and composer of band and percussion music, Bode has written more than 30 arrangements for school groups. A bagpiper as well, he is a member of the Silver Thistle Pipes and Drums of Austin.

He holds degrees from the University of North Texas and the University of Texas at Austin.

After several years as a free-lance jazz musician in the Dallas/Fort Worth area and Austin, Bode began an 18-year teaching career in 1985 at Angelo State University.

From there, he has directed bands in San Angelo, Fredericksburg and Mertzon. His jazz ensembles at Central High School in San Angelo have been considered among the finest in the state, having won competitions in Texas, Florida, Louisiana and Colorado.

events

TEXAS LOTTERY

RESULTS

Friday's Lottery Numbers

Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 1-11-16-34. Bonus Ball: 16.

Winning tickets sold in: Highlands, Snappy Mart 2, 7914 Thompson Road.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: $200,000.

Number matching four of four: 12. Prize: $1,386.

Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 35. Prize: $59.

Number matching three of four: 1,285. Prize: $21.

Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 920. Prize: $20.

Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 5,746. Prize: $7.

Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 10,097. Prize: $5.

Estimated jackpot for Tuesday night drawing: $200,000.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 8-19-26-29-30.

Number matching five of five: 2.

Prize per winner: $27,377.

Winning tickets sold in: Colleyville, Colleyville Mobil, 4405 Colleyville Blvd.; Houston, Corner Stop, 11580 Chimneyrock Road.

Matching four of five: 169. Prize: $146.

Matching three of five: 5,258. Prize: $11.

Matching two of five: 53,733. Prize: $2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

Pick 3

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Craddick: Oil, gas interests need representation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas House Speaker Tom Craddick complained this week that the state's oil and gas interests have no representation in Congress, even though a fellow Republican in Congress plays a key role in writing national energy legislation.

Craddick made the comment in reference to Texas' redistricting battle and his desire for a congressional district based in Midland.

"I have a very strong feel that Midland, Odessa and Tom Green County and the West Texas area out there have not had fair representation for the last 40 years, and we've not had any oil and gas representation and really want and deserve that," Craddick said during a visit to Midland Thursday.

Republican attempts to redraw Texas' congressional districts reached a stalemate over dividing a district that now includes Midland and Lubbock, so Midland can elect its own House member.

Midland is in the middle of the Permian Basin, which produces 70 percent of Texas' oil and 20 percent of the nation's petroleum. It also was where President Bush grew up. Lubbock is a center of Texas agriculture.

Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, a member of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee, is one of the key GOP negotiators on an energy bill now making its way through Congress. Among other things, the bill provides tax incentives for marginal wells, smaller wells like those found in the Permian Basin, so they can keep operating when prices drop.

Barton was on vacation Friday and not reachable for comment, but his spokeswoman, Samantha Jordan, said Barton has helped raised the profile of Texas and its oil interests.

Craddick spokesman Bob Richter said while Barton may watch out for Texas oil interests, the Midland and Odessa areas have "always been the tail end of someone else's district."

Craddick figures "if he can't get a district centered in the Permian Basin-San Angelo corridor now, he'll never get it," Richter said.

Rep. Gene Green, D-Houston, said several Texas lawmakers, including him and Rep. Ralph Hall, D-Rockwall, also look out for oil and gas interests.

"I work hand-in-hand with Joe Barton, in fact, we have done joint appearances, where we talk about the need for production and needs of the energy industry," he said.

In addition, House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, is pushing Texas oil and gas interests as the energy bill is negotiated. He wants it to provide protection to MTBE manufacturers against product liability lawsuits arising out of water pollution cases. MTBE is a gasoline additive.

Morris Burns, Permian Basin Petroleum Association vice president, said Barton and former congressman Larry Combest, a Lubbock Republican, have been friends of the petroleum industry. Combest represented the district that could be divided.

But he said the association would like a repres[illegible] who has worked in th[illegible] because they would [illegible] knowledgeable decisions.

However, the industry does have an oilman in the White House. Bush owned an oil business in Midland. Linda Lance, vice president for public policy for Wilderness Society, said that has benefited the industry.

"Our president is from Texas, and he and the vice president started the ball rolling on the energy legislation by putting out their energy task force report [illegible] in the administration," she [illegible].

Environmental groups say the report heavily favored the industry.

On Tuesday, the administration issued guidelines to the Bureau of Land Management that could allow oil and gas companies on federal lands that had been off-limits, to protect their natural qualities. Burns said that move will free up areas for drilling for some of the Permian Basin association's members with oil gas interests in New Mexico and Colorado.

But he said an oilman in the White House isn't enough.

"You've got three different branches of government, we would like someone in Congress," he said.

Senior Center News

The Advisory Board makes the policies for the Scurry County Senior Center. Several government and civic organizations provide representatives for this board. Senior citizens select two members. Norma Laywell is one of your representatives and the second position will be filled by election. Senior citizens (60 years of age or older) may vote Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m.- noon.

The Pool Association will meet at 10 a.m. in an office in the quilting area. All dues-paying members are encouraged to be present.

Make plans to join us for the School Days Party Oct. 16th. Everyone is encouraged to dress in "school days attire. Please bring pictures, jackets, blankets, or any other school days memorabilia. Bring your treasures by 10 a.m. and stay for the choir program at 11 a.m. and lunch at noon.

MONDAY

Join us for party bridge from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday. From 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. senior citizens may enjoy dominoes or pool in the poolroom or quilting in the quilting area. The eighty-eight room is available for Skip-Bo or eighty/eighty-eight.

TUESDAY

Senior citizens are enjoying the low impact exercise class at Western Texas College pool. The class meets Tuesday & Thursday from 10-11 a.m. The swimnastics is lead by a volunteer and a lifeguard is on duty. For more information call the center at 573-4035.

Join the seniors for eighty/eighty-eight scheduled for 10. The Aubrey Wilson band will entertain from 11 a.m. until noon in the dining room. The Golden K Kiwanis have disbanded, but they will be meeting Tuesday at noon to discuss the possibility of forming a booster club for the senior center. Those interested in this project are invited to join them.

WEDNESDAY

Join us for a fun day of ladies pool at 9 a.m., Skip-Bo at 10 a.m. and pinochle at 1 p.m. Newcomers are welcome at all activities at the center.

THURSDAY

The Sunshine Choir will practice from 10-11 a.m. in the dining room at the center at 2603 Avenue M. The swimnastics class at WTC is 10-11. The class and parking are free — no registration. The center will open at 6 p.m. for game night. Seniors gather for table games of choice. The building closes at 9 p.m.

FRIDAY

Seniors may have their blood pressure read from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the quilting area. Bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. and continues throughout the morning. Eighty-eight play begins at 10 a.m. This is Fire Prevention Week and Cy Posey will present safety tips for senior citizens beginning at 11:45 a.m.

SATURDAY

Everyone is invited to the Community Sing in the Senior Center dining room beginning at 6 p.m. Volunteers provide the music.

MONDAY, OCT. 13th

The Scurry County Senior Center will be closed in observance of Columbus Day.

Senior Menu

MONDAY
Vegetable Soup
Grilled Cheese Sandwich
Tater Tots
Sliced Peaches
Peanut Butter Cookie

TUESDAY
Spaghetti W/Meat sauce
Golden Hominy
Turnip Greens
Tossed Salad
Banana Pudding
Garlic Toast

WEDNESDAY
Creole Steak
Wild Rice
Chopped Broccoli
Pears & Cottage Cheese
Chocolate Cake w/White Frosting

THURSDAY
Chicken Fried Steak W/Cream Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Cherry Cobbler

FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Peas & Carrots
Fried Squash
Three Bean Salad
Apple Orchard Bars

Export price on wheat going up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Canadian wheat growers will have to pay more to export some of the nation's wheat to the United States because of a decision by U.S. trade regulators.

The U.S. International Trade Commission ruled Friday that imports of Canadian hard red spring wheat, used in flour and breads, harmed American farmers through unfair competition. The decision clears the way for the United States to require Canada to pay a 14 percent tariff.

The commission said it could find no such harm from imports of durum wheat, which is commonly made into pasta. Because of this, Canadian exporters who ship durum will face no any duties.

The rulings were prompted by a complaint from the North Dakota Wheat Commission and U.S. farmers that Canada was dumping wheat by selling it for less than it costs to produce.

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What is Baptism of the Holy Spirit
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WHITE BUFFALO FESTIVAL
October 10-11
Scurry County Coliseum

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Booths open to the public
4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Tours of Cornelius- Dodson House & Dermott School

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11
9 a.m.
Booths Open
Zither Music
Horseshoe Tournament Sign-up
Quilt Show
Domino Tournament
Car Show
Antique Farm Equipment
Air Rides for Children
Homecoming Reception in Dermott School
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Pioneer Skills Demonstrations in Cornelius-Dodson House
10 a.m.
Stick Horse Rodeo and Pet Parade
Coliseum Breezeway
Texas Gunslingers on Coliseum Lawn
11 a.m.
Donna Fowler Memorial Unveiling
Horseshoe Pits
Ballet Folklorico in Coliseum
1 p.m.
Presentation of Awards
1:30 p.m.
Introduction of Bill Scurry
2 p.m.
Cloggers in Coliseum
3 p.m.
1950s Style Show
4 p.m.
Final Registration for 50s Dance Contest
5 p.m.
50s Dance Contest
6 p.m. Coliseum Closes

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SNYDER NATIVE — TJ Wood of Snyder, a recent DPS Academy graduate, has been assigned as a highway patrolman in Mitchell County. (Contributed Photo)

Trooper TJ Wood will patrol Mitchell County

Trooper TJ Wood of Snyder has been assigned to the Texas Department of Public Safety patrol unit in Colorado City.

Wood, a graduate of Hermleigh High School and former Scurry County deputy sheriff, graduated from the DPS 125th Training Academy in Austin on Sept. 5.

Wood began work in law enforcement as a jailer at the Scurry County Jail in 1999, and was sworn in as a deputy in Oct. 2000.

He is the son of Jim and Nancy Wood of Hermleigh.

"Our graduates today enter a different and more dangerous world in law enforcement," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., DPS director. "They will act as the first line of defense for the citizens of Texas against criminals of all sorts — from drunk drivers to terrorists. We expect them to uphold and even enhance the proud tradition of the DPS."

Texas State Sen. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, addressed the graduating class at Shoreline Center in Austin.

Lt. Col. David McEathron, DPS assistant director, also participated in the ceremony along with DPS training officers.

The 27-week school is the longest continuous training academy offered by any law enforcement agency in Texas and is one of the longest in the nation. The cadets entered the Academy in March and completed 1,214 hours of instruction.

Nutrition by Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

Some vitamins are harmful in high doses

DEAR DR. BLONZ: In a recent article, you wrote a response to a question about vitamin supplements in general. Your last sentence was: "More is not necessarily better, and in some cases — as with vitamins A and D and iron — it can be harmful." You can't leave us hanging there! How are vitamins A and D and iron harmful? In what amounts? Vitamins A and D and iron are in every multivitamin out there. Are those harmful? Thanks. — **G.T., San Diego, Calif.**

DEAR G.T.: For some nutrients, there is a fine line between dose and overdose. Vitamins A and D are fat-soluble and stored primarily in the liver. Routine consumption of large amounts over a period of time can result in toxicity symptoms. The Daily Value for vitamin A is 5,000 International Units (IUs) per day. The U.S. Institute of Medicine sets a tolerable upper limit for vitamin A at 10,000 IUs per day, but unless a person has a specific medical need for higher amounts, there is little reason to take more than the Daily Value. Vitamin A toxicity can involve liver abnormalities, birth defects and a decreased bone mineral density that may result in a risk of bone fractures and osteoporosis. Taking vitamin A as beta-carotene, a vitamin A precursor, is unlikely to cause problems.

The Daily Value for vitamin D is 400 IUs per day, and toxicity symptoms have been reported with levels as low as four times this amount. Symptoms of vitamin D toxicity can include nausea, vomiting, loss of appetite, constipation, weakness, weight loss, increased blood levels of calcium and the deposit of calcium and phosphate in the kidneys and other soft tissues.

Although food labels state a Daily Value for iron of 18 milligrams per day, the requirement for men and post-menopausal women is only 8 milligrams per day. The tolerable upper limit set by the Institute of Medicine is 40 milligrams per day for infants and children up to age 13. For those over 14 years of age, the tolerable upper limit is 45 milligrams of iron per day. Unless there is a specific need, however, it is unusual for anyone to need more than the Daily Value.

This mineral has a potential for toxicity, as little gets excreted from the body. Most bodies do a good job of regulating iron. There is a protein needed for iron absorption, and less of it is available when the body's iron stores are full. There has been speculation that too much iron can lead to heart attacks, but it is unclear how solid the connection is. There is a genetic iron-storage disease called hemochromatosis in which the body is unable to rid itself of excess iron. This condition wreaks havoc on many bodily systems. In the United States, about 1 in 10 people have a single gene for this condition, while 1 in 200 have both genes and develop the more serious, full-blown disease. There is no cure, and the condition is manageable through strict dietary control of iron-containing foods and periodic phlebotomy (blood donation).

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I read your articles with great interest. My question is: It is my understanding that foods of animal origin have no fiber. If you ate only animal foods and no plant foods, would you form stool? And if you did, where would it come from? I look forward to reading your response. — **K.M., Mountainside, N.J.**

DEAR K.M.: The word "fiber" doesn't refer to one substance. Rather, it stands for a variety of indigestible materials that are found in plant foods. That makes you correct in your statement that animal foods have no fiber. It doesn't follow, however, that foods without fiber, such as animal products, are 100-percent digestible. Stools would consist of that which cannot be broken down or absorbed, sloughed cells from the digestive system and any secreted and unreabsorbed digestive fluids.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Ed Blonz, Ph.D., is a nutrition scientist and the author of "Power Nutrition" (Signet, 1998) and the "Your Personal Nutritionist" book series (Signet, 1996).

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Whatever happened to...

Nathan Spoor is a 1992 graduate of Snyder High School and the son of Ken and Kathy Spoor of Snyder.



Nathan Spoor 1992



Nathan Spoor 2003

Nathan was a member of the Tiger's Tale staff. He was a writer and illustrator, winning the Best of Show in the amateur category at the Scurry County Fair for a piece done during art class at school.

He attended Abilene Christian University four years, earning a fine arts degree and did graduate work at Savannah College of Art and Design and North Texas State University.

Nathan lives in Los Angeles, Calif., where he works as a graphic designer and has done jobs for Universal and Warner Brothers.

He recently had a one-man show in Los Angeles displaying his paintings where more than 800 attended. His artwork can be viewed at nathanspoor.com.

(Readers are invited to submit information and pictures for this feature. Bring by Snyder Daily News or mail to Box 949 in Snyder, 79550.)

Snyder, Ira, Hermleigh and Fluvanna grads...

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Name _____

Year graduated _____

Parent's name _____

Some general high school activities for which they might be remembered _____

After graduation they (college, military, etc.) _____

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Now live in _____

Children _____

Professional work or accomplishment _____

Anything additional _____

Current picture?

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Man sought for alleged sexual assault, abduction

WEST COVINA, Calif. (AP) — Police seeking a man wanted for alleged sexual abuse of a stepdaughter under the age of 14 said Friday the man also was believed to have abducted his two sons and a stepson.

Police Lt. Pete Mena said the FBI was assisting in the search for Carlos Alberto Sandoval, 31. He and the three missing boys ages 9 to 12 were last seen on Wednesday leaving a West Covina residence. Sandoval was driving a white Jeep Cherokee with California license plate 3RUU408, authorities said.

"We are talking with family members in an attempt to locate them," Mena said. Texas authorities also were contacted because Sandoval has relatives there, he said.

The children police believed abducted are Sandoval's sons Adam, 9, Alexander, 10, and stepson Gabriel, 12, police said.

Man admits covering up heist committed by wife, daughters

TOMS RIVER, N.J. (AP) — A man whose wife and twin stepdaughters robbed a bank pleaded guilty Friday to helping cover up the heist, saying he didn't want to put his family through a second trial.

Kevin Jones, 38, pleaded guilty to hindering apprehension and receiving stolen property stemming from the bank robbery last October, which netted $3,550.

Jones, whose trial ended in a hung jury Tuesday, is free on bail but faces up to five years in prison when he is sentenced on Jan. 9.

"I just wanted to get this over with," Jones said. "My kids have a long life ahead of them without having to see me go through this again."

Prosecutors said Jones, who found out about the robbery when his wife and stepdaughters returned home from committing it, helped destroy evidence and launder some of the proceeds at an Atlantic City casino.

Jones admitted accompanying his wife, Kathleen Wortman Jones, to pay the family's $214 phone bill with proceeds from the robbery. He also admitted helping dispose of clothing the twins wore during the robbery.

Chelsea and Elysia Wortman, now 15, planned the robbery to stave off the loss of the family's home in Barnegat, which was in foreclosure. Using masks and a toy gun painted with nail polish to make it look more realistic, they robbed the bank and fled in a car driven by their mother.

The twins pleaded guilty to armed robbery in juvenile court and are serving four-year terms. Wortman Jones, who pleaded guilty to armed robbery, is awaiting sentencing. She faces 15 to 30 years in prison.

The girls and their mother reluctantly testified against Kevin Jones.

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Financial Focus

How Should You Take Money from Retirement Plan?

Sooner or later, the day arrives when you face a difficult question: How should you take the money from your 401(k) or other tax-deferred retirement account? Assuming you are retiring, and not going to another job, you have several options — so you'll want to plan ahead to make the right decision.

Let's look at your choices:

• **Take money as a lump sum —** It's tempting to take a large stash of cash - but such a move may actually rob you of wealth. If you take all your money at once, you'll lose the benefit of tax-deferred earnings growth, which will be important if you spend two or three decades in retirement. Also, if you take your money at one time, you'll face a big income tax hit the year of the withdrawal. (However, depending on when you were born, you may be able to lower your tax bill by using a special formula that allows you to treat your lump sum, from a tax standpoint, as if it were paid out over 10 years.)

• **Roll over money into IRA —** If you choose to roll your 401(k) into a "traditional" IRA, you'll gain some key benefits. First, you'll avoid immediate income taxes. Second, your earnings continue to grow on a tax-deferred basis. And third, you'll be able to place your 401(k) funds in virtually any investment you choose — stocks, bonds, mutual funds, etc. Plus, you won't have to start taking withdrawals until you reach 70 1/2. IRAs provide you the most flexibility in planning how you withdraw your money during your retirement, and how your beneficiaries can withdraw it after you're gone.

• **Receive lifetime income stream —** Your former employer may allow you to set up a lifetime payout option with your 401(k) funds. Depending on the options offered by your employers plan, these payout options can provide you — and even your spouse — with a lifetime income stream. At first glance, this income may look attractive, but it has some drawbacks. Specifically, your payments will stay the same over the years — so they will lose value to inflation. Also, once you move your 401(k) money into this payout option, you can no longer get at your principal, because you've converted it to income. This could be a problem if you ever face an unexpected need for a large sum.

• **Take periodic distributions —** If you like the way your money is invested in your 401(k), but you still need to get at it before you turn 70 1/2, you can arrange to take monthly or quarterly distributions, assuming your employer permits this. From year to year, you may be allowed to change the amount you withdraw, but you will have to plan these distributions carefully — so they'll last.

• **Keep the money in your plan —** Some employers permit you to keep your money in your 401(k) after you retire. If you have other sources of retirement income to live on, you can leave your 401(k) untouched until 70½, when you have to start taking withdrawals. However, your options of how your account is paid, especially if you pass away before the amounts are distributed, may be limited by the plan.

Before deciding what to do with your 401(k), review your entire financial situation and consult with your investment and tax advisors. By making the right choice, you can go a long way toward enjoying the retirement lifestyle you've long envisioned.

Leaving your job?

Don't forget to take your retirement plan with you.

It's common practice to take an out of sight, out of mind attitude once you leave an employer. But this isn't a good approach to take with your retirement plan. Consider a rollover into an Edward Jones self-directed IRA. Together we can put a plan in place to help make your retirement money work as hard as you do.

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Aldine Nimitz 68, Houston Northbrook 0
Alief Taylor 28, Alief Elsik 13
Allen 36, Lake Highlands 13
Alvin 30, Baytown Sterling 27
Amarillo High 52, Lubbock Estacado 6
Arlington Lamar 35, Temple 18
Arlington Sam Houston 20, Abilene 17
Austin Westlake 45, Austin Akins 17
Baytown Lee 36, Clear Brook 0
Belton 34, CC King 24
Brazoswood 20, Dickinson 14 (OT)
Brownsville Rivera 14, Weslaco 13
Buda Hays 46, Austin Crockett 6
Colleyville Heritage 29, Hurst Bell 26
Copperas Cove 42, Waco University 7
Cypress Springs 31, Cypress Creek 17
Dallas Samuell 25, Dallas Sunset 3
Dallas White 38, Dallas Skyline 35
Deer Park 17, Dobie 14
DeSoto 28, Burleson 0
Duncanville 48, Mansfield 6
Eagle Pass 42, Laredo United 0
Edinburg Economedes 27, Edinburg North 24
EP Andress 42, EP Hanks 12
EP Franklin 14, EP Bel Air 0
EP Montwood 27, EP Coronado 20
EP Socorro 23, EP Eastwood 7
Euless Trinity 41, Keller Fossil Ridge 17
Flower Mound 28, Arlington Martin 9
Flower Mound Marcus 21, Dallas Jesuit 14
Fort Bend Elkins 17, Fort Bend Clements 8
Galena Park North Shore 49, La Porte 3
Galveston Ball 14, Humble Kingwood 0
Garland 49, Rowlett 25
Garland Naaman Forest 24, North Garland 23
Georgetown 62, Round Rock Stony Point 0
Grapevine 48, Haltom 14
Houston Bellaire 45, Houston Milby 7
Houston Lamar 13, Houston Washington 6
Houston Westside 56, Houston Chavez 0
Irving 50, Carrollton Newman Smith 14
Irving MacArthur 40, Carrollton Turner 7
Jersey Village 40, Houston Langham Creek 21
Keller 41, Saginaw Boswell 9
Klein Forest 48, Klein Oak 13
La Joya 21, Rio Grande City 14 (OT)
Laredo Alexander 37, Laredo Cigarroa 30
Laredo Nixon 44, Laredo United South 0
Leander 49, Cedar Park 20
Longview 38, Tyler John Tyler 13
Lubbock High 44, Pecos 12
Lufkin 27, Tyler Lee 12
Mansfield Summit 24, Weatherford 0
McAllen High 42, McAllen Memorial 35
McKinney 12, Plano 7
Mesquite 20, South Garland 6
North Mesquite 16, Garland Lakeview Centennial 13
Pasadena 32, South Houston 23
Plano East 23, Richardson Berkner 8
Plano West 38, Rockwall 14
SA East Central 50, CC Miller 7
SA Harlandale 42, Laredo Martin 18
SA Marshall 21, SA Clark 20
SA O'Connor 56, Del Rio 20
SA Roosevelt 28, SA Reagan 7
SA Taft 41, SA Warren 14
San Angelo Central 13, Big Spring 7
San Benito 45, Brownsville Hanna 6
San Marcos 38, Seguin 0
Schertz Clemens 26, Converse Judson 21
South Grand Prairie 28, Grand Prairie 25
Southlake Carroll 38, Sherman 24
Spring Westfield 42, Klein Collins 13
Sugar Land Willowridge 35, Sugar Land Dulles 3
The Woodlands 24, Spring 15
Tomball 24, Cypress Falls 14
Waco 51, Dallas Maceo Smith 0

CLASS 4A

Aledo 48, Joshua 7
Alvarado 41, Lake Worth 20
Angleton 31, Brenham 14
Austin Anderson 28, Austin Travis 6
Austin LBJ 36, Austin Johnston 26 (corrected)
Austin Reagan 49, Austin McCallum 28
Beaumont Central 16, Vidor 14
Birdville 13, Azle 7
Boerne 48, SA Brackenridge 10
Brazosport 23, Terry 13
Brownsville Porter 52, Brownsville Lopez 13
Brownwood 30, North Crowley 7
Canutillo 30, El Paso 0
Canyon Randall 27, Amarillo Caprock 14
CC Calallen 56, CC Tuloso-Midway 7
CC Flour Bluff 24, Robstown 14
Channelview 20, Dayton 19
Crowley 20, Granbury 14
Dallas Highland Park 42, Mesquite Horn 28
Dallas Hillcrest 48, Dallas Bishop Dunne 7
Dallas Kimball 51, FW Wyatt 0
Dallas Lincoln 41, Dallas Spruce 6
Dallas Roosevelt 20, Dallas Adamson 0
Dallas South Oak Cliff 55, Dallas Wilson 21
Denton Ryan 31, Denton 14
Edcouch-Elsa 21, Los Fresnos 0
Edinburg 28, Mission 18
El Campo 28, Victoria Memorial 14
Ennis 61, Marlin 0
EP Burges 37, EP Jefferson 30
EP Chapin 40, EP Austin 7
EP Del Valle 46, San Elizario 0
EP Irvin 30, EP Bowie 7
EP Mountain View 14, Clint 7
EP Riverside 22, EP Parkland 14
Fabens 14, EP Ysleta 7
Floresville 28, Uvalde 0
FW Arlington Heights 45, FW Trimble Tech 13
FW Eastern Hills 14, FW North Side 7
FW Southwest 44, FW Polytechnic 8
Galena Park 35, Caney Creek 7
Gregory-Portland 14, Rockport-Fulton 7 (2OT)
Harlingen South 28, PSJA 21
Hereford 32, Dumas 28
Highland Park 42, Mesquite Horn 28
Houston Forest Brook 13, New Caney 8
Houston Kashmere 21, Houston Jones 18
Houston King 34, Conroe Oak Ridge 18
Houston Scarborough 42, Houston Furr 8
Houston Sterling 15, Houston Reagan 7
Houston Wheatley 28, Houston Sharpstown 0
Katy Taylor 26, Katy Mayde Creek 3
Killeen 41, Harker Heights 35 (OT)
Kingsville 49, Alice 42
Lampasas 35, Killeen Ellison 19
Lewisville Hebron 52, Northwest 14
Little Cypress-Mauriceville 14, Silsbee 7
Longview Pine Tree 49, Athens 7
Marshall 14, Atlanta 12
Mercedes 22, Weslaco East 3
Mission Memorial 34, Roma 0
Mission Veterans Memorial 34, Roma 0
Nederland 21, Lumberton 7
New Braunfels Canyon 21, Dripping Springs 0
Pampa 21, Plainview 7
Pflugerville Connally 13, Killeen Shoemaker 9
Richardson 21, West Mesquite 20
Richardson Pearce 26, Mesquite Poteet 7
Richland 12, Frisco 7
Richmond Foster 50, Willis 8
SA Fox Tech 26, SA Edison 12
SA Kennedy 20, SA Jefferson 10
SA Lanier 21, SA Sam Houston 14
Sharyland 38, PSJA Memorial 14
Stephenville 42, FW Brewer 13
Taylor 53, Marble Falls 17
Terrell 21, Hallsville 15
Waxahachie 25, Lancaster 22
West Orange-Stark 19, Beaumont Ozen 9
Zapata 39, Crystal City 29

CLASS 3A

Anahuac 36, Hamshire-Fannett 10
Barbers Hill 20, Cleveland 0
Caldwell 14, Giddings 3
CC West Oso 18, Kenedy 6
Celina 49, Little Elm 14
Commerce 28, Nevada Community 10
Commerce 28, Community 10
Crandall 69, Pinkston 6
Cuero 34, Edna 7
Diboll 57, Livingston 36
Everman 62, FW Diamond Hill-Jarvis 6
Fairfield 32, Trinity 2
Fort Stockton 14, Alpine 15
Godley 56, FW Carter-Riverside 0
Groesbeck 55, Palestine Westwood 0
Hardin 26, Buna 8
Hardin-Jefferson 14, Kountze 7
Hondo 35, Bandera 28
Huffman 63, Tarkington 0
Jasper 55, Houston Smiley 12
Jefferson 21, Queen City 14
Kaufman 35, Madison 6
Kennedale 54, FW Castleberry 0
Kermit 45, Odessa Permian JV 3
La Feria 42, Brownsville St. Joseph 0
Lake Travis 28, Lockhart 6
Lamesa 7, Monahans 0
Liberty Hill 49, Blanco 7
Longview Spring Hill 55, Van 26
Lubbock Cooper 24, Denver City 3
Lyford 44, Progreso 0
Lytle 47, South San West Campus 12
Madisonville 14, Crockett 6
Marion 37, Jourdanton 7
Merkel 19, Breckenridge 7
Navasota 29, Wharton 6
Newton 62, Beaumont Kelly 7
Orangefield 15, Bridge City 14
Paris North Lamar 33, Farmersville 13
Pilot Point 24, Lake Dallas 14
Port Isabel 45, Hidalgo 0
Princeton 20, Bonham 6
Quinlan Ford 49, Royse City 6
Raymondville 14, Rio Hondo 0
Sanger 42, Van Alstyne 19
Snyder 55, Levelland 0
Splendora 21, Coldspring 6
Stafford 45, Warren 14
Sweeny 43, Houston St. Pius 24
Taft 23, Three Rivers 12
Texarkana Liberty-Eylau 51, Italy 24
Tulia 28, Hale Center 8
Venus 28, Glen Rose 7
Waco LaVega 21, Gatesville 18
Wills Point 55, Mabank 7
Wilmer-Hutchins 26, Ferris 14
Wimberley 41, SA Antonian 6

CLASS 2A

Alpine 15, Fort Stockton 14
Amarillo Highland Park 44, Boys Ranch 0
Anthony 27, Santa Teresa, N.M. 13
Big Sandy 41, Eustace 14
Blooming Grove 26, Oakwood 12
Boling 26, Aransas Pass 6
Caddo Mills 36, Scurry-Rosser 21
Calhoun 42, Palacios 28
Canadian 35, Spearman 7
Centerville 82, Groveton 48
Crane 35, Midland Christian 21
Cushing 37, Tenaha 12
Danbury 26, Huntington 19
Eldorado 12, Iraan 21
Elkhart 27, Buffalo 7
Freer 20, Benavides 16
Ganado 48, Ingleside 6
Grand Saline 51, Alba-Golden 0
Henrietta 24, Quanah 7
Holliday 20, Electra 19
Howe 21, Bells 6
Hughes Springs 40, Clarksville 0
Hull-Daisetta 12, Deweyville 6
Idalou 34, Littlefield 18
Jarrell 28, Little River Academy 10
Jim Ned 60, Stamford 0
La Villa 12, Agua Dulce 6
Leonard 21, Anna 14
Lexington 35, Salado 14
Malakoff Crossroads 67, I Am That I Am Academy 0
Navarro 40, Flatonia 32
New Deal 25, Springlake-Earth 0
Olney 49, Nocona 28
Panhandle 41, Amarillo River Road 12
Poth 42, Dilley 21
Quitman 48, Lone Oak 0
Rogers 40, Somerville 0
Rosebud-Lott 47, Mart 21
San Angelo Grape Creek 40, Rankin 7
San Augustine 49, Paul Pewitt 28
Schulenburg 41, Hallettsville 35
Skidmore-Tynan 34, Banquete 6
Stinnett West Texas 29, Sanford-Fritch 6
Tornillo 0, McCamey 49
Van Vleck 28, Brookshire Royal 6
Vanderbilt Industrial 21, Goliad 12
West Hardin 15, New Waverly 2
WF City View 35, Seymour 14
Whitewright 63, Blue Ridge 6

CLASS 1A

Anton 33, Sundown 6
Baird 35, Cross Plains 0
Bartlett 48, Holland 14
Ben Bolt 28, Riviera 7
Booker 33, Trinity Fellowship 12
Bovina 12, Tascosa JV 7
Center Point 45, Medina 12
Christoval 17, Miles 14
Clarendon 32, White Deer 7
Claude 26, Crowell 7
Dawson 54, Wilson 8
Evadale 39, Apple Springs 6
Evant 19, Santo 0
Fort Davis 48, Sierra Blanca 0
Frost 32, Itasca 14
Granger 28, Burton 12
Hamlin 25, Bronte 8
Harper 26, Charlotte 21
Hubbard 27, Mildred 6
Iraan 21, Eldorado 12
Joaquin 21, Mount Enterprise 20
Kress 48, Guthrie 0
La Pryor 21, Nueces Canyon 14
Lindsay 35, Archer City 6
Maud 14, Rivercrest 8
McCamey 49, Tornillo 0
Munday 26, Roscoe 0
Paducah 55, Memphis 35
Petersburg 10, Hart 7
Petrolia 35, Wynnewood, Okla. 14
Ralls 7, Smyer 6
Rising Star 33, Gorman 20
Rocksprings 49, Garden City 6
Sabinal 41, Leakey 6
Saint Jo 54, Cumby 0
Shamrock 20, Lorenzo 12
Shiner 48, Nixon-Smiley 0
Spur 63, Rochester 18
Sterling City 42, Midland Trinity 19
Stratford 46, Wheeler 14
Sunray 29, Amarillo High JV 0
Thorndale 22, Milano 18
Thrall 54, Brazos Christian 0
Throckmorton 43, Ranger 13
Tolar 47, May 0
Vega 20, Lubbock Christian 14
Water Valley 57, EP School of Excellence 12
West Sabine 14, Hemphill 7
Wink 40, O'Donnell 19
Woodsboro 51, Bloomington 6
Wortham 22, Rice 0

SIX-MAN

Aspermont 48, Trent 0
Cotton Center 33, Turkey Valley JV 24
Covington 34, Dawson 32
Follett 45, McLean 24
Gordon 60, FW Masonic Home 14
Grady 56, Westbrook 14
Harrold 83, Paint Creek 36
Highland 56, Borden County 6
Ira 68, Jayton 16
Lefors 46, Samnorwood 12
Lueders-Avoca 55, Southland 27
Miami 47, Groom 18
Motley County 52, New Home 0
Newcastle 43, Trinidad 38
Novice 6, Santa Anna 52
Panther Creek 68, Veribest 22
Patton Springs 59, Lazbuddie 0
Ropesville 58, Sands 31
Rule 59, Moran 14
Sanderson 62, Dell City 12
Santa Anna 52, Novice 6
Sierra Blanca 0, Fort Davis 48
Silverton 58, Amherst 40
Strawn 64, Gustine 6
Wellman-Union 50, Klondike 0
Whitharral 30, Meadow 12
Woodson 80, Benjamin 47

OTHER SCHOOLS

Arlington Grace Prep 21, FW Christian 7
Austin Hyde Park 14, Lutheran North 7
Central Texas Christian 58, Cedar Park Hilltop Christian 36
Dallas Christian 59, Garland Christian 0
Dallas Greenhill 42, Houston St. John's 35
Dallas Metropolitan Christian 59, Temple Christian 14
Dallas Shelton 14, Carrollton Christian 9
Dallas Temple 59, Dallas Winston 6
Dallas Tyler Street Christian 48, Grapevine Faith Chr. 19
Denton Calvary 33, Quinlan Boles 27
Denton Liberty Christian 29, FW Nolan 28
EP Cathedral 20, Lordsburg, N.M. 7
FW All Saints 35, FW Trinity Valley 10
FW Temple Christian 59, Dallas Winston 6
Galveston O'Connell 54, Faith West 21
Granbury Happy Hill 47, McKinney Christian 0
Happy Hill Farm 47, McKinney Christian 0
Houston Christian 62, Houston Westbury Christian 0
Houston Episcopal 38, Dallas St. Mark's 28
Houston Lutheran South 46, Round Rock Christian 7
Houston Northland Christian 42, Mount Carmel 20
Houston Second Baptist 23, Concordia Lutheran 15
Marine Military Academy 34, Laredo LBJ 6
Midland Trinity 19, Sterling City 42
Muenster Sacred Heart 53, Era 6
SA Central Catholic 35, SA McCollum 7
SA Cornerstone 56, SA St. Anthony 28
SA Lutheran 64, Bellville Faith Academy 30
SA St. Gerard 35, Austin St. Michael's 7
SA Texas Military Institute 31, Austin St. Stephen's 14
Wichita Christian 52, Arlington Academia 32
Dallas South Episcopal 37, Austin St. Andrew's 0
EP School of Excellence 12, Water Valley 57
OKC Casady 18, FW Country Day 0
Schulenberg 41, Hallettsville 35
Tulsa, Okla., Holland Hall 17, Houston Kinkaid 7



Emmitt not sure what to expect in return to Dallas

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Emmitt Smith returns to Dallas this weekend not knowing what to expect from former teammates and fans.

The running back who set the NFL record for career yards in 13 seasons with the Cowboys is now a member of the sputtering Arizona Cardinals.

He's gained 193 yards in 59 attempts, an average of 3.3 yards, on a mistake-prone team that limps into Texas Stadium on Sunday with a 1-3 record.

"It is what it is," Smith said after Wednesday's practice. "I'm trying to do the best that I can."

Some of his former Dallas teammates still have hurt feelings over a Sports Illustrated article that quoted Smith as saying he "felt like a diamond surrounded by trash" last season.

Smith has apologized and insists the quote was taken out of context.

"The guy who wrote the article in Sports Illustrated did a good job of painting the picture that he wanted to paint," Smith said, "and that is all I'm going to say about that because I have no energy to try to resolve that issue whatsoever because I know where my heart was and I know what my statements were and I know what the intent was, and I know the way it was portrayed was not the way it was meant."

And then there are the fans.

"They may receive me as the enemy. They may boo me."

8th Gold stops Levelland, 16-6

The 8th gold team beat Levelland Thursday, 16-6.

Blaine Knipe scored on a 20-yard run, and Brooks Gafford then caught a two-point conversion pass from Dustin Murdock.

Paul Garcia also scored on a 5-yard dive and Ryan Claxton punched in the two-point conversion.

"The kids played super hard in a tough fought contest. There was a lot of hitting going on," coach Reagan Key said. "We are proud of our kids. They are learning what it means to play for four quarters."

Gore out for the season

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Miami running back Frank Gore will miss the rest of the season with a torn ligament in his left knee.

Gore, the team's leading rusher with 89 carries for 468 yards, injured his knee on a 12-yard run in the first quarter of Thursday night's 22-20 win over West Virginia.

Tests Friday revealed a torn anterior cruciate ligament.

A similar injury to his right knee caused Gore to miss all of last season.

He hurt his left knee against East Carolina on Sept. 13, missing parts of practice the following week. Nonetheless, he played against Boston College, sprained his right ankle late in that game and did not return.

WTC rodeo team in 2nd

The Western Texas College rodeo hands continued to post top-10 performances at the Sul Ross rodeo Friday.

Cody Horwedel finished the first round in second place in the saddle bronc event, recording a 77. Sam Spreadborough was fifth with a 71.

Clay Bunney took second in the first round of the bareback riding competition with a 70, while teammate Jake Marshall was third with a 68.

Sabrina Lay's first-round time of 17.23 in barrel racing held up for second place.

Ashley Hadley finished ninth with a 9.7 in goat-tying.

Erin Anglin held down the third slot in breakaway roping with a 3.3, and teamed up with Patrick Hawthorne for sixth in team roping, recording a time of 8.1.

Lane Nixon used a score of 76 for sixth in bull riding.

The Sul Ross rodeo was scheduled to run through Saturday night.

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	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
Miami	2	1	0	.667	58	38
Buffalo	2	2	0	.500	89	57
New England	2	2	0	.500	71	77
N.Y. Jets	0	4	0	.000	45	77
South						
Indianapolis	4	0	0	1.000	120	47
Tennessee	3	1	0	.750	89	78
Houston	2	2	0	.500	69	113
Jacksonville	0	4	0	.000	73	109
North						
Baltimore	2	2	0	.500	82	74
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	.500	84	96
Cincinnati	1	3	0	.250	61	84
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	46	75
West						
Denver	4	0	0	1.000	118	49
Kansas City	4	0	0	1.000	127	58
Oakland	2	2	0	.500	87	107
San Diego	0	4	0	.000	68	122

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	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
Washington	3	1	0	.750	90	85
Dallas	2	1	0	.667	65	65
N.Y. Giants	2	1	0	.667	79	69
Philadelphia	1	2	0	.333	33	61
South						
Carolina	3	0	0	1.000	59	35
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	57	22
Atlanta	1	3	0	.250	71	100
New Orleans	1	3	0	.250	74	119
North						
Minnesota	4	0	0	1.000	112	58
Green Bay	2	2	0	.500	107	79
Detroit	1	3	0	.250	77	98
Chicago	0	3	0	.000	43	111
West						
Seattle	3	0	0	1.000	89	33
St. Louis	2	2	0	.500	100	84
Arizona	1	3	0	.250	57	130
San Francisco	1	3	0	.250	92	82

Sunday's Games

Oakland at Chicago, noon
Arizona at Dallas, noon
Miami at N.Y. Giants, noon
Minnesota at Atlanta, noon
Seattle at Green Bay, noon
Denver at Kansas City, noon
Cincinnati at Buffalo, noon
New Orleans at Carolina, noon
Tennessee at New England, noon
San Diego at Jacksonville, 3:05 p.m.
Detroit at San Francisco, 3:15 p.m.
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SPORTS

Wells sets record for TDs in 55-0 win...

No contest: Tigers maul Levelland

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

The Snyder Tigers wanted to gain momentum going into district play in the last preseason game of the year.

This one exceeded all expectations.

Malcom Wells set a school record with six touchdowns, and the Tiger defense dominated an overmatched Levelland offense in a 55-0 whipping on the school's homecoming night.

Snyder led 41-0 at the start of the second half, when Wells — who hit paydirt on runs of 28, 9, 10 and 4 yards in the first half — fielded the Levelland kickoff in the Snyder end zone and galloped 100 yards for a touchdown 14 seconds into the third quarter.

"The hole was there," Wells said. "Isaac (Ramon) and Marcus (Villarreal) made a hole an 18-wheeler could have gone through."

Head coach Chad Rogers predicted Wells would break out as the season progressed.

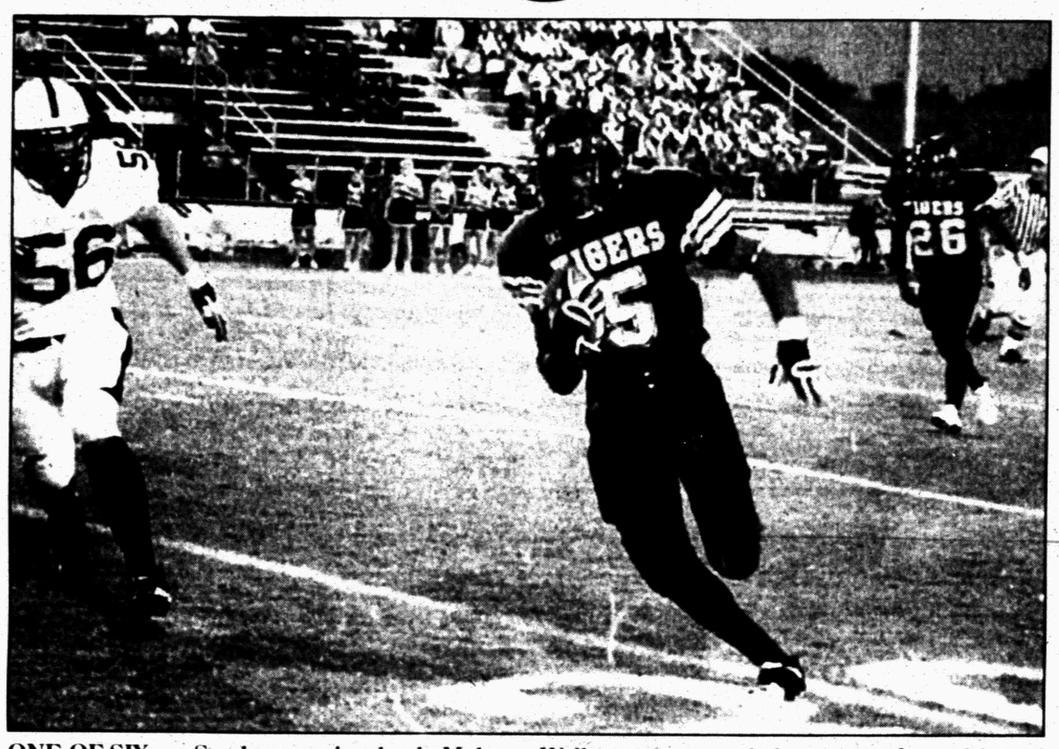
"I said three weeks ago this would happen," Rogers said of Wells, who shined with 202 yards against Fort Stockton last week. "The line likes blocking for him, and if they stay on their blocks, there's no telling where he'll go."

Boicy Martinez, who rushed for 60 yards and threw for 77 with no picks, opened the scoring with a 16-yard pass to Justin Boyd midway through the first quarter.

Then Wells took over.

The senior tailback scored on a dazzling 28-yard sprint, cutting against the grain and racing around the edge untouched.

"There was a linebacker behind the nose guard. (Left guard) Zach (Garcia) tried to block him out, but I knew he would clog the hole, and I just took it outside," Wells said of his first touchdown. " The whole team stepped up tonight and showed what we could do."



ONE OF SIX — Snyder running back Malcom Wells races around the corner for a 28-yard touchdown scamper in the first quarter of Friday's game. Wells set a school record with six touchdowns as the Tigers crushed Levelland, 55-0. (Contributed Photo by Ronny Collins)

Wells scored twice more in the quarter to help Snyder take an insurmountable lead into the locker room.

The Tigers gained 359 yards of offense on a night when everything went in their favor.

Martinez scored on a 28-yard run off a broken pass play with 5:38 left in the first half, as Levelland had blanket coverage on all three Tiger receivers.

Wells' second touchdown was set up by a spectacular, acrobatic one-handed catch by Villarreal, who beat tight man coverage for a 48-yard gain.

Levelland forced the Tigers into a punting situation with under a minute left in the second quarter, but an errant snap led punter Isaac Ramon to pull the ball down and try to gain positive yardage.

"It was a high snap, and I didn't think I could get it off," Ramon said.

Thirty-three yards later, the Tigers had first and goal from the 10 and Wells glided in on the very next play for the final score of the half.

Wells added another rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter on a 1-yard dive.

Rogers said the play of the defense paved the way for the offensive exhibition.

"Our defense coaches did a great job," he said. "The defense played more aggressive, and we had good field position the entire night."

The Tigers had just two drives that started behind their own 46-yard line.

Ramon was the wrecking ball on a defense that never allowed Levelland to get untracked offensively, forcing the Lobos to punt five times. Ramon recovered a fumble at midfield in the second quarter to give Snyder the ball back two plays after Wells' second score, setting up Martinez' touchdown run.

"Isaac played a great game," Rogers said. "The whole defense came to play tonight, and that's what we need heading into district."

Ramon was involved in nearly every tackle, and credited the game plan for the defensive showing.

"We were going to stunt, because we saw on the film that we could run through them if we did," he said. "We were all pumped and ready to play. The defense stepped up. We had not really played to our capabilities, and we showed what we could do tonight."

The Snyder front four never allowed Hartline to get comfortable in the pocket, continually beating the Lobo offensive line off the ball.

"We worked hard all week, and it paid off," defensive lineman Eric Gonzales said. "We were penetrating far enough to flush (Hartline) out of the pocket. We just came out prepared and focused."

Levelland threatened to break up the shutout on the last drive of the game, but reserve cornerback Lico Castillo picked off a Rocky Hartline pass at the 5-yard line, allowing the Tigers to run out the clock and preserve the largest margin of victory in the Rogers era.

Rogers said the distractions of homecoming week had no effect on the team, which he said was intense all week, especially in the moments leading up to kickoff.

"I knew we were ready — I could see it in their eyes," he stated. "They were loose and focused. The kids prepared hard all week. This is great momentum for district."

He said line coach Roger White was going over the first five plays of the game, when the Boys and Girls Club flag football teams made their way to the field house.

"Not one of them looked back to see who was walking by," he said. "It was high-level listening. Their intensity was extreme."

He said the team would relish the moment before getting down the business of preparing for arch-nemesis Sweetwater.

"We're going to enjoy this win Saturday, then start working on Monday," he said, adding that he had no fear of overconfidence from the club following such a decisive victory. "These kids have been in this system, and they know what it takes to get ready. It won't be a problem with Sweetwater up next."

Game Summary

Snyder	**12**	**27**	**07**	**07**	**—55**
Levelland	**00**	**00**	**00**	**00**	**—00**

First Quarter

Snyder — Justin Boyd 16-yard reception from Boicy Martinez (Lico Castillo kick), 7:26.

Snyder — Malcom Wells 28-yard run (Castillo kick), 3:44.

Second Quarter

Snyder — Wells 9-yard run (Castillo kick), 9:52.

Snyder — Wells 10-yard run, (kick failed), 7:23.

Snyder — Martinez 26-yard run (Castillo kick), 5:38.

Snyder — Wells 4-yard run (Castillo kick), :30.

Third Quarter

Snyder — Wells 100-yard kick-off return, (Castillo kick), 11:46.

Fourth Quarter

Snyder — Wells 1-yard run (Castillo kick), 11:46.

	Sny	Lnd
First Downs	15	7
Rushes-yards	31-281	33-197
Passing yards	77	24
Comp-Att-Int	3-7-0	3-9-1
Punts	1-30	4-21.5
Fumbles-lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-yards	1-15	4-35

RUSHING — Snyder: Wells, 13-130; Martinez, 5-60; Ramon, 2-38; Brad English, 1-20; Chad Brown, 3-14; Cody Wall, 2-9. **Levelland:** Shane Bryant, 8-72; Tanner Richardson, 10-34; **Rocky Hartline**, 5-24; Miguel Moreno, 6-10.

PASSING — Snyder: Martinez 3 of 7 for 77 yards. **Levelland:** Hartline 3 of 9 for 24 yards, 1 int.

RECEIVING — Snyder: Marcus Villarreal, 1-48; Boyd, 1-16; Castillo, 1-13. **Levelland:** Cody Tucker, 3-24.

Aggies hope to stop Symons, losing streak at Texas Tech

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas A&M is hoping to stop a few trends Saturday night against Texas Tech.

The Aggies (2-2) have lost two straight games and haven't beaten Tech (3-1) in Lubbock since 1993. There's also that Red Raiders' streak of four straight games over 300 yards passing.

"You don't go into this game expecting to shut these guys out," Aggies coach Dennis Franchione said. "You hope to get them to miss some turns, to get out of rhythm and to keep them out of the end zone."

That hasn't happened the past few weeks. B.J. Symons set a Big 12 record with 661 passing yards in last week's 49-45 win over Mississippi, breaking the mark of 586 he set the week before in a 49-21 loss to North Carolina State.

"They believe in what they do," Franchione said. "They have a quarterback who I think everybody at the beginning of the year wondered how he was going to be and he looks like he's been back there for three or four years."

In College Station last year, Symons, who leads the nation in passing yards (1,962), only watched from the sideline as Kliff Kingsbury led his team with 24 fourth-quarter points in a 48-47 overtime victory.

"Even though I wasn't playing, it was a lot fun being over on the sideline when that comeback came and we won at Kyle Field," Symons said. "That was a great feeling to hear all those people quiet."

It should be far from quiet Saturday, as a sellout crowd was expected for the 9 p.m. start. Tech officials, wary of the late start, said additional police officers will be watchful for intoxicated fans.

Two years ago, Tech fans stormed the field after a 12-0 win over the Aggies. They tore down the goalposts and rammed them into a portion of the stands where some Aggies fans remained, and a melee ensued.

The matchup is now a seething rivalry.

"For me, it kind of excites me to walk out there and people are screaming and throwing drinks at us and stuff," A&M tackle Alan Reuber said. "It revs me up and upsets me a little to go out and play that much harder, and I think for most guys it's like that. It's something and you don't want to be surprised."

Tech safety Ryan Aycock has a similar view.

"It's an adrenaline rush as soon as you step out onto the field, just the atmosphere," he said. "I get more boosted up for this game than any game. All you have to say is, 'Texas A&M Aggies.'"

It won't be Franchione's first trip to Lubbock. In 1994 his New Mexico team lost 37-31 to Tech.

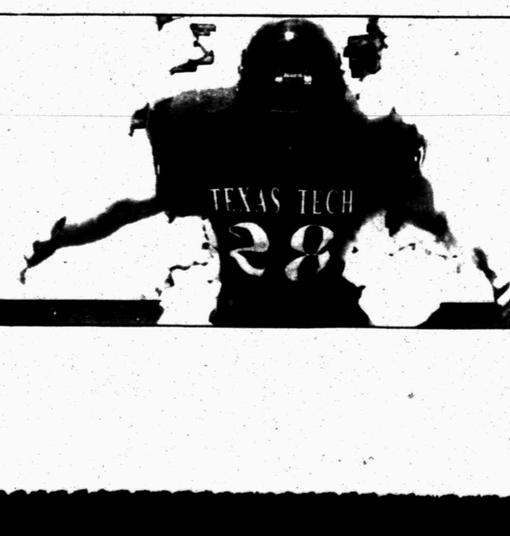


EXTREME INTENSITY — Snyder wide out Justin Boyd hauls in a 16-yard touchdown catch in the first quarter in Snyder's blowout win over Levelland. The Tigers gained 358 yards on offense in the 55-0 victory. (Contributed Photo by Ronny Collins)

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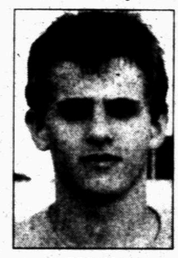
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Pudge's heroics give underdog Marlins 2-1 edge

MIAMI (AP) — San Francisco manager Felipe Alou stood in the dugout, stared at his right fielder in disbelief and muttered a profanity.

Julio Cruz Jr., one of baseball's best outfielders, had just misplayed a routine fly to start the 11th inning.

"I've never dropped one like that," Cruz said.

The Florida Marlins made Cruz and the Giants pay dearly. The error started a comeback that Ivan Rodriguez capped with a two-out, two-run single to beat the Giants 4-3 for a 2-1 lead in their best-of-five NL playoff series.

"We lost a game that we should have won," Alou said. "Against the wall — that's where we are."

Game 4 was scheduled for Saturday afternoon, with Giants ace Jason Schmidt expected to pitch on three days' rest against rookie sensation Dontrelle Willis.

Squandered opportunities and Cruz's defensive blunder hurt the Giants, and Rodriguez did the rest. He hit a two-run homer in the first and curtailed a Giants rally in the seventh by throwing out a runner trying to steal third.

"Having that kind of game made me feel pretty good," Rodriguez said. "It was one of the best games of my career."

Edgardo Alfonzo's RBI single in the top of the 11th put the Giants ahead 3-2, but they left the bases loaded. Those were three of the record 18 runners they stranded, including at least one in scoring position in each of the final seven innings.

After Rodriguez homered, the Marlins were shut out until Cruz gave them an opening in the 11th. He drifted toward the foul line, tried to make a one-handed catch of Jeff Conine's fly and dropped the ball — to the surprise and delight of 61,488 fans.

"It was trailing away, but it was a ball I should have caught," Cruz said.

Florida seized the opportunity. Tim Worrell walked Alex Gonzalez, Miguel Cabrera sacrificed and Juan Pierre was intentionally walked to load the bases.

Luis Castillo grounded back to Worrell, who made a lunging, barehanded stop and forced Conine at the plate. But Rodriguez lined a 1-2 fastball for a hit to right field, and Cruz's throw home was wide as Pierre slid in headfirst with the winning run.

"I didn't get the job done," Worrell said. "I left a fastball up, and he went with it."

As the crowd celebrated, the Marlins poured out of the dugout to mob Rodriguez, a 10-time All-Star who joined Florida this season after 12 years with the Texas Rangers.

"He showed today why he's a Hall of Famer," teammate Derrek Lee said.

The finish was reminiscent of the 1997 playoffs, when the Marlins twice beat San Francisco in their final at-bat.

"We're a good team," Rodriguez said. "Whoever plays against us has to play hard until the last out, because you never know."

The return of postseason baseball to Miami after a six-year wait drew the Marlins' largest home crowd since Game 7 of the '97 World Series. The boisterous fans twirled souvenir towels, creating a remarkable spectacle in a stadium where empty seats are the more customary sight.

"It's exciting to see South Florida electrified," said Texas Rangers shortstop Alex Rodriguez, a Miami native in attendance.

One of the biggest roars came when Ivan Rodriguez homered to put Florida ahead. Poor fielding by pitcher Mark Redman helped San Francisco rally to tie it in the sixth.

The Marlins almost managed to neutralize Barry Bonds, who went 1-for-4 with an infield single and two intentional walks. That made him 2-for-7 in the series with seven walks.

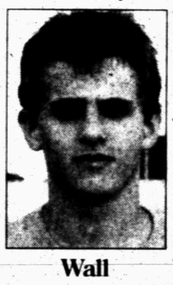
The Giants broke the division series record of 16 runners stranded, which they set in a 13-inning loss to the New York Mets in 2000.



IMMOVABLE OBJECT — The Ira defense, from left to right, Joel Lollar, Brandon Crane, Roy Torres and Jake Barnes, held Jayton to 16 points to help the Bulldogs win their homecoming game, 68-16. (Contributed Photo by Becky Hudgins)

Bulldogs shoot down Jaybirds behind Wall's five touchdowns

IRA — The Ira Bulldogs accomplished what they set out to do Friday, ending their homecoming game by halftime with a 68-16 pounding of Jayton.



Wall

Jess Wall had a virtuoso performance in front of the packed homecoming crowd, rushing for 126 yards on five carries with five touchdowns and a TD pass.

Wall scored on runs of 23, 35 and 77 yards and returned two interceptions for scores from 48 and 42 yards out.

Wall also fired a 64-yard scoring strike to Caleb Gutierrez on an improvised play after Wall was chased down in the backfield by the Jaybird defense.

"I didn't expect us to put up 68 points in the first half, but I thought we would play well, and we played very well," head coach Toby Goodwin said. "Our offense is clicking good, and we came out throwing the ball."



Kellner

Wes Kellner had a hand in four scoring plays, diving in from 5 and 6 yards out.

Kellner was 5 of 7 for 134 yards with two touchdown passes, including a 7-yard touchdown throw to Brandon Graves, and a 38-yard laser to Jake Barnes.

"Wes threw really well," Goodwin said. "He was a little banged up and didn't play defense, but he played great."

Goodwin said the win, which was Ira's fourth straight, gives the team a shot in the arm heading into the District 8 schedule.

"Like I told the kids (Friday) night — our record is back to 0-0," he said. "It's time to start the real season, and we are ready to go."

Coyotes lose big to Hornets

ROSCOE — The Borden County Coyotes were pounded by Highland Friday, 56-6.

The Hornets (5-0) scored five touchdowns on the ground, including three from Ryan Adkins. Marcus Calderon added scores of 1 and 75-yards.

Borden County's sole score came on a 5-yard touchdown reception from Shane Tarleton.

Prior hurls gem, outduels Maddux in playoff debut

CHICAGO (AP) — By the ninth inning, the Wrigley Field crowd was on its feet with a deafening chant of "Let's Go Prior!"

Mark Prior had given a crowd of nearly 40,000 reason to party and cheer with one of the top performances of his young career.

In his first postseason start, he outpitched Greg Maddux and put the Chicago Cubs in position — with one more win — to capture their first playoff series since the 1908 World Series.

Prior pitched a two-hitter to beat Maddux and the Braves 3-1 Friday night, and give the Cubs a 2-1 lead in their best-of-five playoff series.

"He's a freak, really. You're not supposed to be that good at that age," Cubs catcher Damian Miller said.

"That kid's way beyond his years," Atlanta's Robert Fick said.

The 23-year-old Prior again showed his poise and pitching acumen. He was nervous, yes, but got his emotions in check quickly.

"There is nothing that will really ever prepare you for what this was like or what my next start hopefully in the playoffs will be like," Prior said. "It's something I've never experienced before.

"You wouldn't be human if you weren't anxious in this situation. It's the playoffs, you lose and you go home."

Atlanta led the NL in every major hitting category this season: batting average (.284), homers (a franchise-record 235) and runs (907, another club mark), but Prior was simply too good.

"He had great stuff and he's really hard to hit," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said. "We didn't hit that many balls hard. He was a little wild early and we didn't take advantage of it."

It was the first complete game by a Cubs pitcher in the postseason since Claude Passeau threw a one-hitter to beat the Detroit Tigers 3-1 in Game 3 of the 1945 World Series.

"If you told me I would go out and throw a complete game, there is no way I would have thought that," Prior said.

Prior gave up only Marcus Giles' single to shallow right-center in the third and Mark DeRosa's pinch-hit double leading off the eighth. Atlanta spoiled the shutout when DeRosa moved up on a groundout and scored on Giles' sacrifice fly.

Prior, who won 18 games in his first full major league season, walked four, struck out seven and was bolstered by the frenetic crowd that started doing a sarcastic takeoff on the Braves' tomahawk chop.

"They deserve to go out and party," Prior said. "It's something they haven't had in a long time."

The Cubs got to Maddux in the first on Randall Simon's two-out, two-run single that followed a key stolen base and wild pitch. Scoring on Simon's hit were Kenny Lofton, who had singled, and Mark Grudzielanek, who reached on a bunt single when first baseman Fick slipped in the wet grass trying to field it.

Aramis Ramirez, acquired from the Pirates after the All-Star game as were Simon and Lofton, added a two-out RBI double in the eighth.

"I thank Pittsburgh for letting us have them, and they've been absolutely awesome for us," Prior said.

Maddux lasted six innings, giving up six hits and two runs in his 31st playoff appearance, including 29 starts.

Cox said Maddux hurt his calf muscle in the first and third innings but pitched through it.

"I thought he did a great job pitching on one leg," Cox said.

It was Giles who collided with

Sports Briefs

Golf booster club

The Snyder golf booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the student center.

Football booster club

The football booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the film room.

Men's basketball league

The Snyder men's basketball league is forming. To sign-up as an individual or as a team, or for more information call 573-3916 or 574-1438.

Ladies play day

The SCGA hosts a ladies play day at 9 a.m. each Tuesday at Scurry County Golf Course. Format is most pars and net pars or better-front nine.

WTC GLT tournament

Western Texas College will host the golf and landscape technology tournament next Saturday. Format is nine-hole lowball-daylight and nine-hole select shot glow ball-dark with tee-off at 5 p.m. Cost is $70 per team with cash prizes. Contact the pro shop at 573-9291 for more information.

Mineshaft retired

Leading Horse of the Year contender Mineshaft was retired because of a minor ankle injury and won't run in the Breeders' Cup Classic.

Woods takes 5-shot lead at Capital City

WOODSTOCK, Ga. (AP) — Baked greens and thick rough were troubling enough Friday at the American Express Championship. Even more daunting was Tiger Woods pulling away from a world-class field without breaking a sweat.

In one of his best rounds of a roller-coaster year, Woods made seven birdies and finished with a 4-under 66 to take a five-stroke lead into the weekend at Capital City Club.

He not only had the best score of the day — only four other players broke par — Woods was eight strokes lower than the course average.

"It's awfully nice to be in front," said Woods, who was at 7-under 133.

He hasn't been in that position at any time during a tournament since going wire-to-wire at the Western Open in early July, which is also the last time he won.

Woods is 19-4 when having at least a share of the 36-hole lead.

The challenge falls to Rocco Mediate, Tim Herron, Sergio Garcia and K.J. Choi, who all gave up shots on the tough Crabapple course and were at 138.

Mediate made four bogeys over his first eight holes, answered with four straight birdies and then dropped a shot on the 18th for a 72. Herron also bogeyed the 18th for a 72.

Garcia, who opened with a bogey-free 65, saw his round fall apart by missing three straight par putts from inside 10 feet on the front nine. He finished with a 73.

The other players under par were Stuart Appleby (68) and Ignacio Garrido (71), who were at 139. Vijay Singh had his second even-par 70 and was at 140.

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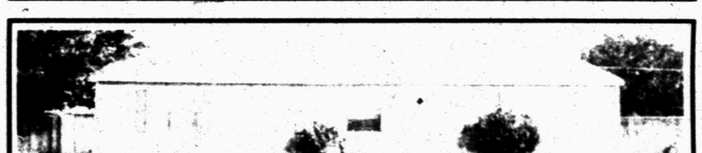
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Illusionist attacked by tiger

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A tiger attacked magician Roy Horn of duo "Siegfried & Roy" during a Friday night performance, leaving the superstar illusionist in critical condition, authorities said.

An audience member at The Mirage hotel-casino said the tiger lunged at Horn, who tried to beat the tiger off with a microphone.

"The tiger went for his neck, then drug him offstage," said Andy Cushman, a 23-year-old reporter from New Jersey. "He looked like a rag doll."

Mirage spokesman Alan Feldman said Horn had a serious injury to the left side of his neck. Feldman said Horn, who turned 59 on Friday, was taken into surgery.

Horn was in critical condition at University Medical Center, said hospital spokeswoman Cheryl Persinger.

Cushman said Horn, the dark-haired member of the duo, appeared alone on stage with a white tiger about 45 minutes into the show, and told the audience the 9-year-old tiger was making his debut.

After the attack, Siegfried Fischbacher appeared on stage and said the performance was canceled, Cushman said.

The German-born pair perform six shows a week, 44 weeks per year and have been performing in Las Vegas for more than 30 years.

The illusionists, who put on one of the most well-known and expensive Las Vegas shows with their signature white tigers and lions, signed a lifetime contract with the Mirage in 2001.

On the Net:
http://www.siegfriedandroy.com/



RECEIVING AWARD – Lori Williamson, first grade teacher at Hermleigh ISD, received the teacher of the year award from Supt. Marvin Beaty. The award was presented at Thursday's Rotary Club meeting. Williamson is in her 14th year of teaching at Hermleigh and also teaches a class that focuses on students with dyslexia. Williamson's parents, Brice and Joyce Fuqua, retired Hermleigh teachers, were also present. (SDN Staff Photo)

Band leader says suicide show will go on

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A band leader vowed to defy threats of criminal charges and proceed with a concert featuring a suicide that will be broadcast live over the Internet on Saturday night.

Hell on Earth leader Billy Tourtelot said on the band's Web site Friday that the concert and suicide will take place in an undisclosed location in St. Petersburg, Fla.

The band intends to broadcast the event on its Web page and asks its fans to visit the site for the performance at 7:30 p.m. EDT.

Tourtelot's announcement last month that he would host the suicide of a terminally ill fan led the city to ban the event with an ordinance and prompted a judge to issue an injunction against it.

Florida Attorney General Charlie Crist has said that anyone who assists in a suicide could be charged with a felony and face up to 15 years in prison.

Kevin Hayslett, an attorney for Tourtelot, said the band leader wanted to go ahead with the show despite the lawyer's advice that he not do so. Hayslett said he did not know the concert's location.

White Buffalo Festival events

White Buffalo Festival, sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce will be held next Friday and Saturday at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Heritage Village

Tours of the Dermott school, Dodson House and the tent will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Pioneer skills

Pioneer skills will be exhibited from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. This will include wood carving, rug braiding, rope crosses, horse shoeing, lye soap making, cowboy gear, knitting, biscuit making, crocheting, spinning wool and quilting.

Scurry County reunion

A reunion for current and former residents will be held at the Dermott School from 9 a.m. until noon Saturday. The reception is sponsored by the SHS classes of 1946, 1947 and 1948.

Car show

Snyder Wheels will sponsor a people's choice car show Saturday at the coliseum. Registration is from 9 to 11 a.m. All cars are welcome and there is no entry fee. Awards will be presented at 3 p.m.

Quilt show

Quilts are needed for the quilt display during White Buffalo Days at the Scurry County Coliseum. Persons wishing to put a quilt on display should call Joan Bunch at 573-7404. After 5 p.m. call 573-0047.

1950s dance contest

A '50s dance contest will be held Saturday, in conjunction with the White Buffalo Festival. Judging for the $100 prize will be 50% costume and 50% dance skills. The White Buffalo Committee also is 1950s yearbooks for the display. For more information call Jackie at the coliseum at 573-9811.

Antique tractor, equipment display

The Scurry County Antique Tractor & Equipment Club will have a display from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Today's chuckle

Bar served bottled oxygen, not booze

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — There was no chance of students getting drunk by bellying up to a bar on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus.

The bar was serving bottled oxygen, not booze.

"I'm not wasted," UNL student Tim Randall, 23, said after inhaling 97-percent pure oxygen for about five minutes. "I'm more relaxed."

Students lined up for the chance to sit at one of three stools at student union Wednesday and inhale the oxygen scented with one of 12 aromas, including lavender, vanilla and strawberry.



"It smelled like incense," Randall said.

As an added option, students could also use earphones that played a monotone sound meant to block outside distractions, or wear sunglasses fitted with tiny lights that blink.

The sounds and lights are designed to help with relaxation, said Broderick Thompson, an employee of TjohnE, the Grand Rapids, Mich., company that was running the bar.

"What you want to do is close your eyes and relax your head," Thompson told the throng of students waiting for their turn.

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Thank You

To the host of friends who came to us with love & sympathy, to those who could not come but sent flowers or messages of condolence; to our church family for the beautiful service & meal provided, we want to express our deepest appreciation. And a special thank you to Snyder Healthcare & their staff, Western Texas College Dorm Staff & to Odyssey Healthcare.

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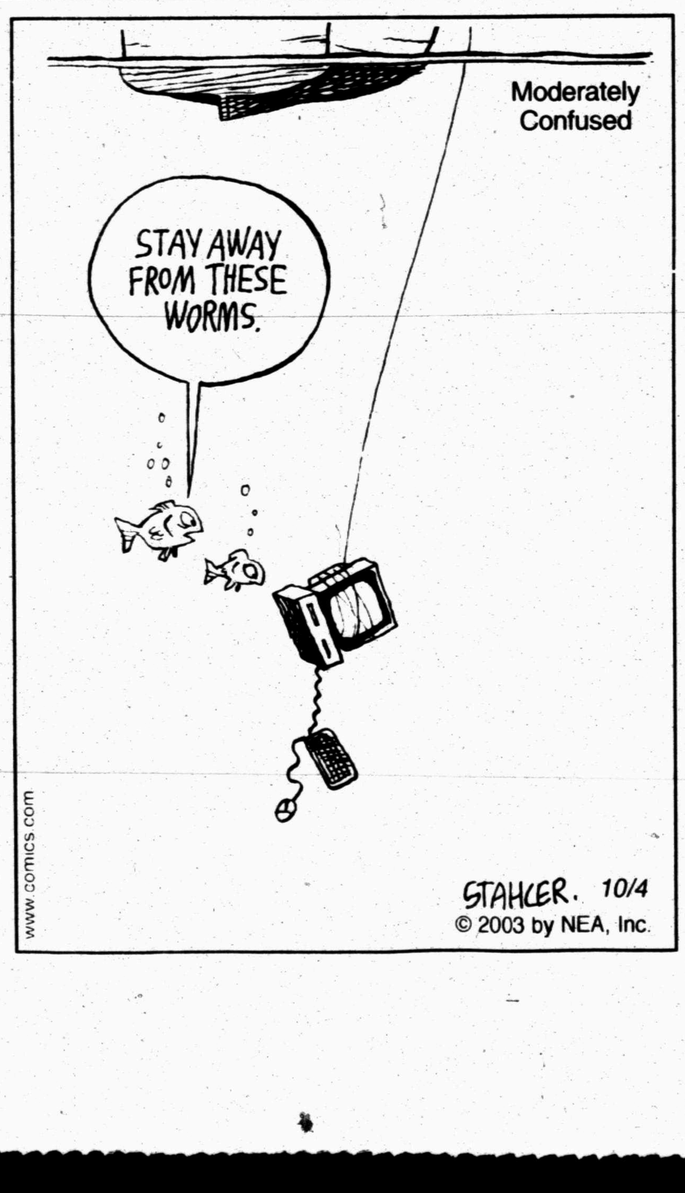
Thank you from the John Garcia family to everyone who took time to share their flowers, prayers, & kind words with our family in this time of need. Thanks to the Spanish Church of Christ members for the food they provided after the service & everyone that brought us meals throughout the week. Your generosity proved to be very helpful. Thank you Kent Wright & the Wright Colonial Funeral Home staff for all of your support & help.

We would also like to say a deep thanks to Reverend Max Zamarano, you took a time of tragedy & turned it into a time of peace.

May God bless each & everyone of you.

Sincerely,
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Some vitamins can be dangerous

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is there such a thing as vitamin abuse? I am concerned about a relative who may be using vitamins in excess. Can you also recommend a book that covers what vitamins are needed, what is retained and which could be harmful?

DEAR READER: Some vitamins can, indeed, be poisonous in large doses. The most notorious are the following:

— Vitamin A is contained in meat and fish products, as well as in many fruits and vegetables. It is necessary for normal vision and healthy skin and bones. The Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) is 5,000 international units a day. Supplements above 25,000 units a day will lead to serious consequences, such as anemia, loss of appetite, poor vision, bone pain, mouth ulcers and many other complications.

— Vitamin D is found in fish and eggs. Milk is often fortified with D. The vitamin is vital for normal bone metabolism (a deficiency causes rickets and will aggravate osteoporosis). The RDA is about 200 international units a day. Excess quantities (above 1,200 IU) are associated with weight loss, nausea, headache, fatigue, anemia, kidney damage and other consequences.

— Pyridoxine (vitamin B6) is available in nuts, grains, meat and fish. It is needed for normal nerve functioning. The RDA is 2 milligrams daily. Modest doses (5 mg) may block the beneficial effects of L-dopa, a drug used to treat Parkinson's disease. Higher doses (2,000 mg) can lead to unsteady gait and numbness of the feet.

— Vitamin C is plentiful in fruits and vegetables. It is a necessary component of many metabolic reactions, including wound healing, blood formation and healthy teeth and gums. The RDA is 60 milligrams. Doses above 2000 milligrams a day may lead to diarrhea, kidney stones, joint pains, rash, iron overload and other complications. Vitamin C has not been shown to protect against the common cold.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Fads I: Vitamins & Minerals." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

Also, I've found two paperback books to be valuable resources. "Vitamins and Minerals: Help or Harm," by Charles W. Marshall, Ph.D. (Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins, 1991), and "Popular Nutritional Practices," by Jack Yetiv, M.D., Ph.D. (Dell, 1988).

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has been diagnosed with a heart-valve problem, but his cardiologist says his heart is too weak to withstand the stress of surgery. Will his heart strengthen while he is taking Toprol?

DEAR READER: The function of heart valves — as with any valves — is to keep blood flowing in one direction. If a valve is stenotic (narrowed), the heart must work harder to pump blood through it. If the valve is insufficient (leaky), the heart is also over-stressed by having to pump an excess quantity of blood (the normal volume plus whatever leaks back through the damaged valve). Thus, the end result is the same: a weakened, stretched and flabby heart that becomes less able to do its job.

Obviously, the most direct way to correct a malfunctioning cardiac valve is to replace it surgically with a prosthetic device — or to repair it. However, this is major surgery for which not everyone is a candidate. Specifically, if the heart has been irreparably damaged by years of overwork, a cardiac operation may simply be too risky.

In such cases, doctors often attempt to reduce the work of the beating heart by prescribing drugs to lower blood pressure and reduce the pulse rate. If the heart doesn't have to expel blood into the circulation against a high head of pressure, the organ won't wear out as quickly. Toprol is such a drug.

Your husband's doctor is playing for time. Although the medicine will not affect the damaged valve or repair the cardiac muscle, it may lessen his symptoms of breathlessness and exhaustion, allowing him to remain relatively independent for months or years. If, later on, the valve damage progresses and the situation becomes critical, surgery may become the only viable alternative, despite its risks.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've had a burning sensation in my mouth and throat for almost a year. Five doctors have been unable to diagnose my problem. Can you help?

DEAR READER: From the meager information you supply, I shan't come up with anything Earth-shattering. In my experience, however, there are three common causes of mouth and/or throat pain that may baffle physicians — but, happily, not dentists.

1. Ill-fitting dentures: As people age, their gums change configuration and dentures that fit perfectly well a decade ago may become loose. The change may be so subtle as to be unnoticeable — except that sensitivity and low-grade, chronic pain may ensue.

2. Smoking or "dipping" tobacco: Cigarettes, cigars, pipes, snuff and chewing tobacco almost always lead to inflammation of the throat and oral cavity that may not be evident to the untrained observer. However, a burning sensation will be quite obvious to the tobacco user. Remember, too, that tobacco in any form increases the risk of cancer in the mouth, throat and lungs.

3. Astringent toothpaste, mouthwash and chewing gum are frequently associated with burning or numbness of the inner cheeks, tongue and throat. Given the American obsession with oral hygiene and halitosis, it's a wonder that more people don't experience symptoms from these products. For many individuals, the relationship is undeniable.

If you're a smoker with false teeth who uses a mint flavored mouthwash, you are a likely candidate for oral discomfort. Because your doctors have been unable to solve your problem, see your dentist. To him, the answer may be obvious — and treatable.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My gynecologist told me that, at 80, I no longer need Pap tests every two years. Do you agree?

DEAR READER: Yes, I do.

Because the incidence of cancer is so low in this age group, most women past menopause — even if they are sexually active — do not need regular pelvic exams and Pap tests, unless they are having symptoms such as vaginal discharge or bleeding.

While this view is still debated, many gynecologists are accepting the trend. They prefer to take each situation on a case-by-case basis, in preference to recommending across-the-board periodic exams for all older women without symptoms.

If, on the other hand, you would feel more comfortable having a gynecology exam every two or three years, you certainly may have it by requesting your doctor to continue the pattern.

Remember, too, to have annual breast exams and mammograms, as well as bone density determinations if you have osteoporosis.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have bradycardia without weakness or fainting. What can you tell me about this heart condition?

DEAR READER: Bradycardia simply means "slow heart rate" — traditionally, a pulse below 60 beats a minute.

Many healthy people — especially athletes — have slow pulses. Such bradycardia is normal and no cause for concern. In addition, certain medicines, notably beta-blockers for hypertension, will cause bradycardia.

Having said this, I must add that persisting bradycardia in a middle-aged or elderly adult could reflect a cardiac disorder. For instance, certain forms of heart blockage are associated with an unusually slow pulse, and are diagnosed by an electrocardiogram. Such an adult, whose pulse runs consistently in the 40s or 50s, should be examined by a physician, and — if appropriate — have a cardiogram and other tests, depending on age and symptoms.

The fact that your bradycardia causes neither faintness nor, I assume, other symptoms suggests that your slow pulse is normal for you and does not reflect cardiac disease. Nonetheless, since you are concerned, I suggest that you bring this to your doctor's attention. Although you are probably OK, it would be prudent to check out the situation.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Coronary Artery Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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ME says two girls drowned

PLANO (AP) — Two young girls found dead in their suburban home last week were drowned, the Collin County Medical Examiner's Office ruled Friday.

The medical examiner ruled the deaths of Briana Diaz, 5, and Kamryn Diaz, as homicides on Monday, but did not list a cause of death.

The autopsy report found no obvious signs of trauma to the girls. However, the medical examiner said strangulation and suffocation cannot be ruled out.

The girls' mother, Lisa Ann Diaz, 33, has been charged with two counts of capital murder in the deaths of her daughters on Sept. 25.

The girls' father found their bodies in a bedroom in the family's Plano home when he returned home from work.

Diaz remains in custody in the Collin County Jail.

An affidavit filed by a Plano police officer on Monday said the girls were found nude under a sheet on a bed saturated with blood and other bodily fluids.

Police found what appeared to be the handle of a knife and bloody clothing in the bathtub.

College student killed

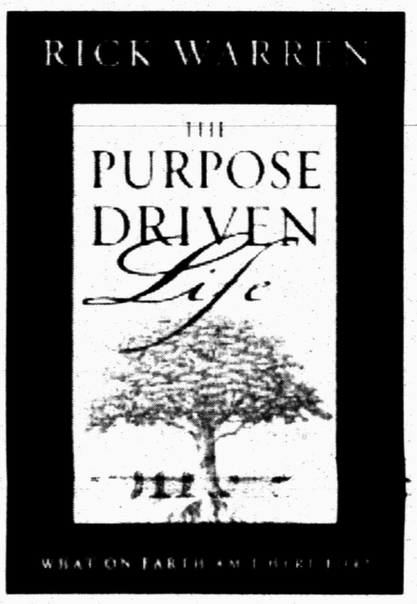
ALPINE (AP) — An 18-year-old bull rider was killed after he was thrown from a bull and the animal stepped on his chest during a rodeo competition at the Sul Ross State University.

Rolland J. Ellsworth Jr. of Ramah, N.M., died Thursday at Big Bend Regional Medical Center, Sul Ross University officials said.

Ellsworth, a student at Eastern New Mexico University, was competing in the Sul Ross State University National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association Rodeo when the accident happened. School official said he was wearing a protective vest.

"We are deeply saddened by this tragedy and extend our condolences to the Ellsworth family, the Eastern New Mexico team members and coaches and the Eastern New Mexico University community," Sul Ross President R. Vic Morgan said in a story for Saturday's edition of the San Angelo Standard-Times.

The 58th annual rodeo will continue with performances Saturday.



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First Baptist Church will be entering the 40 days of Purpose campaign October 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary at 1701 27th Street with a live satellite broadcast from Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, California. Everyone is welcome. During the 40 day period from October 12th thorough November 23rd ever Sunday FBC will be sharing teaching from the Bible and the best selling book "The Purpose Driven Life" that answers the question "Why am I here?" and "What is my purpose?" Also, small groups will be meeting in homes all over Snyder during this time studying the book "The Purpose Driven Life." Call the church office at 573.2631 to locate a group near you. Come be a part and find out why you were put on this Earth.

Pastor Mike Henson

First Baptist Church
1701 27th Street, Snyder, TX 79549
352.573.2631

"Come be a part and find out why you were put on this Earth."



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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Dallas could lose UT-OU classic

DALLAS (AP) — The city of Dallas reportedly has until November to raise hundred of thousands of dollars or risk losing the annual grudge match between the University of Texas and University of Oklahoma held at the Cotton Bowl each year during the State Fair.

The schools are threatening to pull out of their contract with the State Fair of Texas and go home-and-home if the city, the State Fair and other private groups fail to come up with the money to keep the Longhorns-Sooners classic in Dallas.

"If we don't meet demands by Nov. 11, then they have the choice to move the game outside of Dallas," said Sandi Bailey, executive director for the Hotel Association of Greater Dallas. "We're in an emergency state."

Ticket sales from the Red River Shootout generate $1 million for each school. But last year, school officials say, they needed more money to cover the cost of insurance and travel and lodging expenses for their bands and cheerleaders for the 2003 game, scheduled for next Saturday.

The schools are asking for an additional $350,000.

The State Fair of Texas and Dallas Convention & Visitors Bureau agreed to payment and the November 2003 deadline, but didn't specify where the funds would come from.

State Fair officials, so far, have come up with $50,000. Members of a newly formed committee called "Save the Game" are hustling to raise another $50,000.

U.S. troops confronted near Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A stone-throwing mob of ex-Iraqi soldiers charged U.S. forces and Iraqi police Saturday in a protest over jobs and pay. One protester was killed and 25 people were injured, including two policemen.

In similar violence involving former Iraqi troops in the southern city of Basra, British forces shot and killed at least one protester. Capt. Hisham Halawi said the Basra protest broke out when ex-soldiers acted on a false rumor that Saturday was the last day they would receive stipend payments.

"An Iraqi was shot and killed by members of the coalition forces, and the incident is under investigation," Maj. Niall Greenwood said in Basra.

At al-Yarmouk Hospital in the capital, Dr. Abbas Jafaar said one ex-soldier died from a gunshot wound to the head and 25 people were hurt during the Baghdad riot.

Witnesses said U.S. forces, who have a large base near where the violence erupted at a former military airport in central Baghdad, fired shots in the air and Iraqi police fired into the crowd.

After the protest spilled into the upscale Mansour district, where four liquor stores were burned along with an Iraqi police car, the mob returned to near the American base. An Iraqi police colonel spoke to the crowd, persuading the ex-soldiers to line up in an orderly fashion so they could be paid by the Americans.

Petitions for hospital district turned in

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service, jail services, dispatching, space for the police department and sealcoating inside the city limits. The contract is proposed for two years.

In mid-September, the court voted to allow Judge Rod Waller to sign an agreement accepting a city counter-proposal and to extend the current interlocal pact until Monday, when both entities will consider the new contract. The agreement has been discussed in earnest since February.

Also on the agenda is a report from the Scurry County Parks and Recreation Department and consideration for funding for lights and concession stands. The court will also consider an athletic field contract from Western Texas College regarding use of softball fields while the college sports complex is under construction.

The court will declare October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Family Violence Awareness Month.

Line item transfers, budget amendments and approval of bills will also be discussed.

The meeting will be held in the county courtroom.

Four arrested here

Arrests

Friday at 9:08 a.m., a 23-year-old was arrested at the Scurry County Justice of Peace office on warrant for theft by check.

Saturday at 1:12 a.m., a 26-year-old woman was taken into custody in the 600 block of 37th Street for public intoxication.

At 1:41 a.m. Saturday, a 30-year-old man was taken into custody at 100 East 37th Street for public intoxication.

Saturday at 4:09 a.m. a 29-year-old man was arrested for assault family violence.

Theft

Larry Braziel of 4011 Eastridge reported Friday that his vehicle had been damaged and a stereo stolen out of it. A report for theft was filed.

Robin Phillips of 5400 College Ave. Friday told officers that money had been stolen out of her vehicle. A report for Class B theft was submitted.

Cindy McAnaw Friday evening reported that her son's bicycle had been stolen from the Snyder High School stadium.

Burglary

Friday evening, B.J. Thompson of 400 34th Street requested officers in reference to a broken window at his house. A report for burglary of a residence was submitted and a close patrol maintained.

Criminal trespass

A woman in the 2600 block of 26th requested a criminal trespass warning on another woman who keeps coming to her residence. Police advised the subject of the warning.

Gas drive off

A Town and Country east employee reported a gas drive off Friday night worth $21.

Loud music

Friday afternoon, loud music was reported in the 1100 block of 21st Street. Police spoke to a man at 1107 21st Street and advised him of the complaint.

Livestock loose

Friday morning, a TxDOT employee reported several goats and guineas at large on U.S. 84 and FM 1611. Jeannie King was contacted and the animals were secured.

Bush: Progress made

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, facing criticism that Iraq's reconstruction is moving too slowly, said Saturday the transition to self-government "is a complicated process" but steady progress is being made.

Bush said that of the $20 billion he has requested for Iraq's rebuilding, $5 billion would be spent on helping Iraq deal with its own security by assembling an army, training public safety and emergency personnel and establishing a fair judicial system.

"Greater security is essential to Iraq's future," the president said in his weekly radio address. "A secure Iraq will protect the nation's schools, and the hospitals that are opening.

Correction

Testing for correctional officer training will be held at 6 p.m. Monday at Western Texas College. Those who arrive at 6:30 will be too late for testing.

Obituaries

Nonnie Ward

1944-2003

Funeral service for Scurry County native Nonnie Ward, is set for 4 p.m. Sunday in the First Christian Church with the Rev. Jim Hill, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ward, 59, died Thursday, Oct. 2, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.



Nonnie Ward

Born March 30, 1944 in Snyder, she was the daughter of Scurry County ranchers Novis N. and Helen Boren Rodgers.

She was a 1961 graduate of Snyder High School and attended Texas Tech University and Sul Ross State University.

She married John Ward on Aug. 30, 1962 in Snyder and they made their home on the ranch 25 miles north of Snyder. Mrs. Ward was a member of the First Christian Church.

Survivors include her husband, John Ward of Snyder; two daughters, Leslie Murphy and husband Mike of Snyder and Lesa Ward of Lubbock; and one grandson, Dylan Murphy of Snyder.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

J.P. Ellis

1916-2003

Jackson P. Ellis, longtime Scurry County resident, died Friday, Oct. 3, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Ellis, 87, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Tom Holcomb, minister, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.



J.P. Ellis

Born Feb. 4, 1916 in Ira, he was the son of the late Jackson and Bertha Chandler Ellis who farmed southwest of Dunn.

Mr. Ellis was as a sergeant in the U.S. Army during World War II, serving with the combat engineers and earning five battle stars.

After the war, Mr. Ellis returned to Scurry County. He and other family members hired out to drilling contractors to learn how. They then pooled Ellis family resources and drilled for oil on the family farm. The Ellis Drilling Co. was formed and later Ellis Production.

A member of the East Side Church of Christ, Mr. Ellis also was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Scottish Rite.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Jewel in 1974; and his second wife, Margie in 1999.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Regina and Coy Dale Rhodes of Snyder; five brothers and three sisters-in-law, Jeff Ellis of Dallas, Buck Ellis of Big Spring, Othal and Essie Pearl Ellis and Ather and Mary Ellis, all of Colorado City, and Wayne and Sandy Ellis of Tyler; a sister and brother-in-law, Julia and Lynn Fox of Snyder; and one granddaughter, Whitney Graham of Denton;

Family visitation will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. Saturday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Bee Lockhart

1932-2003

Bee Carroll Lockhart, a native of Scurry County, died Saturday, Oct. 4, in Snyder Oaks Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Graveside services for Mr. Lockhart, 71, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in Snyder Cemetery with the Rev. Walter McCall, Odyssey Hospice chaplain, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Lockhart was born March 11, 1932 in Snyder.

Survivors include a brother, Dee Lockhart of Snyder; three sisters, Beatrice May and Berle Shuler, both of Sweetwater, and Jessie Lockhart of Midland; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Zaragosa Beserra

1917-2003

SAN ANGELO — Zaragosa Beserra, the father of Emelia Lugo of Snyder, died Friday, Oct. 3, in a San Angelo nursing home.

Funeral service for Mr. Beserra, 85, is set for 2 p.m. Monday in St. Ann's Catholic Church. Burial will follow in the Sonora Cemetery.

Born Dec. 18, 1917 in Avoca, Iowa, he was preceded in death by his mother, Rafeala Tambunga; three sisters, Tamasa Duran, Elida Galindo and Petra Rodriguez; and a brother, Pedro Tambunga.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Emelia Beserra; three other daughters, Anna Martinez of San Angelo, Guadalupe Garcia of Sonora and Isabel Guzman of San Antonio; two sons, Zaragosa Beserra Jr. of Big Spring and David Beserra of Sterling City; 17 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.

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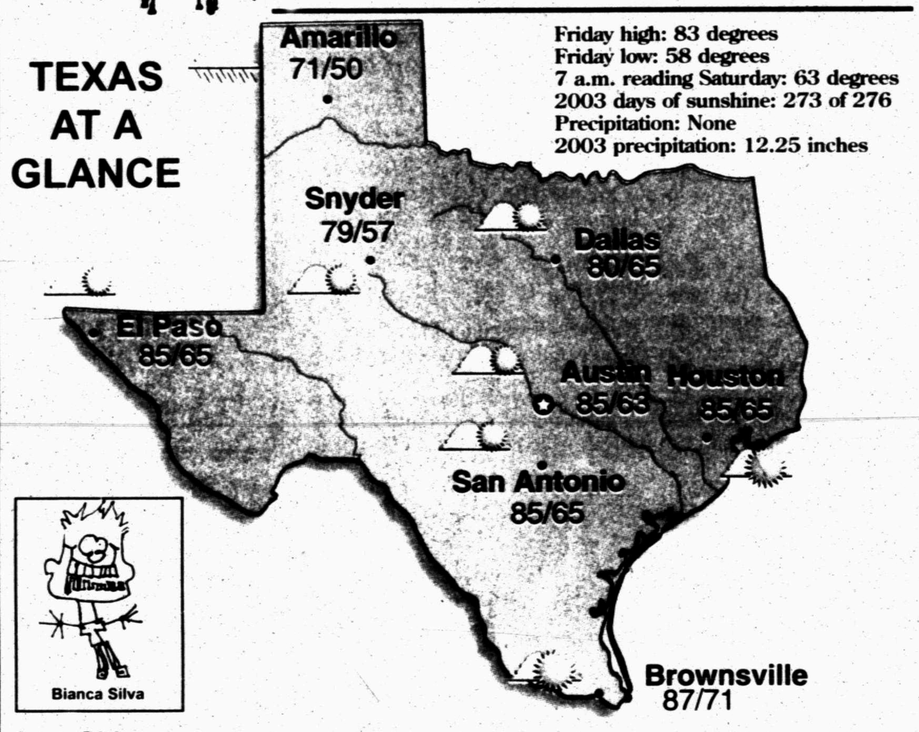
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Friday high: 83 degrees
Friday low: 58 degrees
7 a.m. reading Saturday: 63 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 273 of 276
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 12.25 inches

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	81	62	pt sunny	El Paso	85	65	pt sunny	Midland	82	61	pt sunny
Amarillo	71	50	rain	Fort Stockton	85	62	pt sunny	Raymondville	88	68	mst sunny
Austin	85	63	pt sunny	Gainesville	77	59	pt sunny	Rosenberg	85	65	mst sunny
Beaumont	84	63	mst sunny	Greenville	77	59	pt sunny	San Antonio	85	65	pt sunny
Brownsville	87	71	mst sunny	Houston	85	65	mst sunny	San Marcos	86	63	pt sunny
Brownwood	85	61	pt sunny	Kingsville	87	67	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	78	58	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	85	69	mst sunny	Livingston	84	60	pt sunny	Sweetwater	81	60	pt sunny
Corsicana	83	61	pt sunny	Longview	82	59	pt sunny	Tyler	83	62	pt sunny
Dallas	80	65	pt sunny	Lubbock	77	56	pt sunny	Weatherford	78	60	pt sunny
Del Rio	87	68	pt sunny	Lufkin	84	61	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	78	58	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	77	55	pt sunny	Houston	85	65	mst sunny	Phoenix	93	72	sunny
Boston	64	57	rain	Los Angeles	73	60	pt sunny	San Francisco	67	56	windy
Chicago	57	38	pt sunny	Miami	85	75	t-storm	Seattle	67	49	pt sunny
Dallas	80	65	pt sunny	Minneapolis	51	36	pt sunny	St. Louis	70	47	pt sunny
Denver	63	40	pt sunny	New York	64	56	rain	Washington, DC	68	57	cloudy

Moon Phases

First	Full	Last	New
Oct 2	Oct 10	Oct 18	Oct 25

UV Index

Sat 10/4	Sun 10/5	Mon 10/6
7 High	8 High	7 High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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By Shirley

THE SNYDER NE

Colorful costumes help bring WTC production to life

When Ray Newton, drama director at Western Texas College, picked a Chinese fantasy for the first play of the fall semester, he knew whom to call about the costumes.

Sonya Vinson has had lots of



Sonya Vinson

experience sewing costumes. So she knows what it means when Newton says, "I have a little project for you." Perhaps this "little project" has been more challenging because the costumes for *The Yellow Jacket*, concluding at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Fine Arts Theatre, are more elaborate than other productions during Newton's three years at the college.

Since *The Yellow Jacket* is based on Chinese opera, something she is unfamiliar with, Vinson did some research before she sewed a stitch. On the Internet she found a book filled with colorful and elaborate pictures of hats and make-up that she drew ideas from.

She also consulted with two people at the college who are knowledgeable about Chinese opera: Ben Sum, art teacher and Mon Yu, art student. Vinson learned that colors are very important and they mean specific things.

For instance, yellow is for royalty; white represents the spiritual or other world; red indicates happiness; black does not symbolize mourning in Chinese opera. The color green is for an extra-marital affair.

Sonya said the young hero's hat was made green before she realized that. Rather than scrap the whole hat, Sonya said she added lots of black to tone down the green.

Vinson and her daughter, Emily, made the hats. They began with a form that fits over the head of the actor and then they sewed the hat material to each form. Underneath the hats, the actors wear a black skullcap.

She noted that the satin and brocade materials used to make the colorful costumes were found in college storerooms. "That allowed us to create fancier costumes than our budget would allow," she noted.

Vinson said they used two to three different pattern styles for the kimonos.

Beginning in late August, Vinson estimates she spent about 100 hours creating the costumes from scratch. Myra Hayes also helped sew.

She learned more about Chinese opera from the movie *Farewell My Concubine*, which has English subtitles. In the early days of Chinese opera, street urchins were the actors and boys played girls' parts. Sometimes men also wore skirts.

Other WTC plays Vinson has worked on include the 1940s *Radio Hour*, a period piece, where the characters were radio personalities dressed in glitzy outfits.

The college already had most of the clothes they needed for the production so Vinson said she mainly re-styled them.

However, for *Fortinbrau*, she had to make a lot of capes that looked like armor from scratch.

Her next WTC project is a style show to be presented during next weekend's White Buffalo Festival.

Vinson said she has been doing costumes for WTC plays for about two years. She first became involved when the Ritz Community Theatre, where she has worked on costumes for several years, and WTC jointly produced a play.

Vinson has been sewing costumes for several years, starting when she lived in Oklahoma.

In the beginning Vinson said, "I was asked to be a dresser for one of the actors in *Greater Tuna*. Each had a separate dresser because they changed clothes about 20 times each."

Then she went from dresser to costume maker. She noted that perhaps the biggest play she has ever worked on was *Fiddler on the Roof* (in Oklahoma) because it had such a large cast.

Sewing runs in Vinson's family. She learned from her mother and she also took home economics classes. Her aunt also sews.

Besides making costumes, Vinson has a full-time job as an aide in the life skills class at Snyder Junior High. Previously, she worked in the special education department for 3½ years at several schools in Snyder.

Vinson's husband Ed is a chemist at Chem Plex. They moved to Snyder eight years ago. Their daughter, Emily, is a student at Tulane University but she will study art history abroad for a year at University College in London.



VINSON'S CREATIONS — Sonya Vinson has been making costumes for Western Texas College plays for the past two years. Before she started working on *The Yellow Jacket*, based on Chinese opera, she researched the subject. Her helpers were her daughter, Emily, and Myra Hayes. Students in this scene are from left Rhealan Wagnon, Ryan Ballard and Chris Hensley. The final performances are slated for 7:30 Saturday night and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Fine Arts Theatre. Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for children.

Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

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Kallie Billingsley and Zackary Tuttle
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Wedding plans being made by SHS grads

The parents of Kallie Anne Billingsley and Zackary John Tuttle announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children.

Kallie's parents are Rickey Billingsley of Fredericksburg and Brenda Billingsley of Snyder.

Zackary's parents are Kenny and Carole Tuttle of Snyder.

A 7 p.m., Oct. 18, wedding is being planned at Hondo's On The Main in Fredericksburg.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Snyder High School and South Plains College. The prospective groom, also an SHS graduate, is a student at South Plains.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North 10-04-03 ♠ Q 6 4 ♥ J 9 4 ♦ K 7 6 3 ♣ 8 5 2	
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	South ♠ K 8 7 5 2 ♥ 8 6 5 ♦ A 4 ♣ A K 3	

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
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Opening lead: ♥ A

The hunt is on for the winning ace

Regular readers are expecting an 8-0 trump suit today — sorry!

In the prepared deals for my classes, most of the time the final contract will be either a game or a slam. This is because it is easier to construct clear-cut illustrations when the lead will not be changing sides several times. It becomes so ingrained with most of my students that they assume they should be in game, even when their cards do not justify contracting so high — as in this example.

Most Souths could not bring themselves to pass out two spades, despite having only 14 high-card points and no special distribution.

Let's assume you thought more clearly. Against two spades, West leads out the top three hearts. He then shifts to the club 10. How would you continue?

You have conceded three hearts and must also lose one club. So, you can afford only one trump loser, not two. You need to find an opponent with exactly ace-doubleton. Then, when you lead a spade, you want to make that opponent the second person to play to the trick.

Who has the spade ace?

Did you play careful attention to the bidding? The auction started with three passes. So, probably neither opponent has 12 high-card points, and certainly neither has 13. But West has already produced nine points in hearts. East must have the spade ace.

After winning trick four in hand, lead a diamond to dummy's king and call for a low spade. Assuming East plays low, go up with your king, then lead a spade from hand and play low from the dummy. When East's ace appears, you are home.

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Duplicate Bridge Scores

Monte West directed bridge at the Snyder Country Club.

Friday, Sept. 26

A Group

1. Johnye Van Dever, Mary Bast.
2. Carol Williams, Gracie Craig.
3. Bette Byrd, Coleen Palmer.
4. Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed tied with Margaret Birdwell, Durelle Gorman.

B Group

1. Carol Williams, Gracie Craig.
2. Anita Talbott, Suzy Reed.
3. Bobbie Taylor, Betty Courtney.
4. Paula Gilbert, Vera McSpadden.

Tuesday, Sept. 30

A Group

1. Linda West, Monte West,
2. Margaret Birdwell, Maribeth Vestal tied with Barbara Yorgesen, Tizzy Hall.
3. Pat Floyd, Robbie Floyd.

B Group

1. Pat Floyd, Robbie Floyd.
2. Dorothy Rosson, Margaret Presswood.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Storytime at the Scurry County Library for 4- and 5-year-olds; 10 a.m.

Rock and Roll Quilting Club; Hermleigh Community Center; everyone is invited for free quilting lessons, and special projects are to help someone in need; call 863-2426 for more information; 8 a.m. to noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NA-Just for Today; Park Club at Winston Park; 573-1438.

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1292 or 573-9458; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Gateway Family Services parenting discussion group, focuses on a variety of parenting issues and special challenges; no charge; call 573-1822 for more information; 10:30 a.m.

Weight Watchers meeting; Colonial Hill Baptist Church; for more information call Kathy at 573-1289 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

Altrurian Daughters Club; MAWC; program, Vicki Shroyer on "Homeland Security;" Hostesses, Dora Blakey, Nina Nesbit and Virginia Clark; 11:30 a.m.

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Palette Club; airport meeting room; hostess, Lila Guinn; fused glass; 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; at the coliseum annex; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center; 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd., Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club at Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving Course; no reservations necessary; cost $30; for more information call 573-2850; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

NA-Just For Today open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-1438; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292 or 573-9458; 10 a.m.



Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Patschke
(Contributed Photo)

Merritt, Patschke pledge solemn vows

WILSON — Elyse Merritt and Brandon Patschke, both of Lubbock, exchanged wedding vows at 6 p.m. on Aug. 8 in the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wilson. The Rev. David Rohde officiated the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Craig and Janet Merritt and the granddaughter of Jack and Dorris Martin and Florine Merritt, all of Snyder.

The bridegroom is the son of Michael and Vicki Patschke of Roosevelt and Bruce and Judy Sanderson of Post. Grandparents are August and Norine Patschke of Roosevelt, Billy and Sally Holmes of Lubbock and Arnold and Patsy Sanderson of Post.

A dinner and dance were held afterward at St. Joseph's Catholic Hall in Slaton. A rehearsal dinner, hosted by the groom's family, was held at the Hotel Garza in Post.

The bride is a graduate of Snyder High School and Texas Tech University and is employed by the Roosevelt ISD as a first grade teacher.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Post High School and Texas Tech University. He is self-employed in farming and ranching.

Their wedding trip was to Ruidoso, N.M., and they are planning a December trip to Jamaica. They reside in Roosevelt.

Library News & Views

By Janie Romine, director

No one wants to think it could happen to her, but it does happen. It also happens not only to women, but to men.

October is Breast Cancer Prevention Month. Do you have questions about breast cancer? Are you a victim of breast cancer who has questions about treatment and returning to a normal life? If so, come to the Scurry County Library and look at our wide assortment of books about breast cancer.

Are you curious about your chances of breast cancer? Check out the books, *Assess Your True Risk of Breast Cancer*, by Patricia Kelly, or *Breast Cancer: Myths & Facts*, by Eva Singletary.

Perhaps you are dealing with breast cancer, or perhaps you are the support for a friend with breast cancer. *Read Not Just One in Eight*, by Barbara Stevens, and find encouraging stories of those who have survived the disease.

Other encouraging books include *Fighting for Our Future by Beth Murphy* and *The Feisty Woman's Breast Cancer Book*, by Elaine Ratner.

No matter if you are fighting breast cancer, if you have won the battle with breast cancer, or if you simply want more information about this disease, you can find the book at the Scurry County Library. Read and find out more about the disease so that you are aware of symptoms and treatments.

Celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness Month by getting your mammogram and telling a friend to do the same. Do not become one of the numbers who waited until it was too late.

During the month of October, the library will have a special display of breast cancer books. These are available for you to check out.

The Scurry County Library will be closed next Saturday, Oct. 11. through Monday, Oct. 13 for Columbus Day weekend.

The library will reopen on Tuesday, Oct. 14 with regular hours.

Biographer unveils commemorative plaque

LONDON (AP) — The biographer of "Frankenstein" author Mary Shelley unveiled an English Heritage blue commemorative plaque at the writer's London home on Friday.

Miranda Seymour led tributes to Shelley at the house at 24 Chester Square in central London where the author lived from 1846 until her death in 1851.

Mary Godwin, born into a free-thinking family in London in 1797, married the poet and radical Percy Bysshe Shelley in 1816.

In 1822 Shelley drowned in a sailing accident off the coast of Italy, and Mary Shelley returned to London in the summer of 1823 with their 3-year-old son Percy.

Births

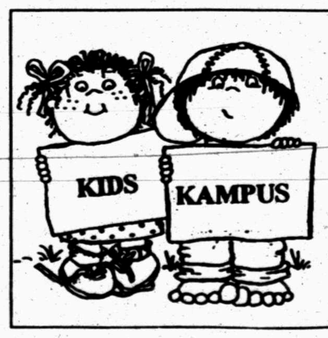
Wayland and Stephanie Harrison of Pflugerville are the parents of a son, Tyrone Dante, born at 9:25 p.m., Sept. 30, at Round Rock Medical Center. Dante weighed six pounds, six ounces and was 18½ inches long.

Grandparents are Densell and Jeanie Fambro, Willis Harrison and Darlene Harrison. Great-grandparents are Easter Smith, Dolly Harrison and Juanita Cochran. All are of Snyder.

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MARRIED AT GREENE PARK — Amanda Marcon and Chuck Cooper were married at sunset on Aug. 15 at Jack Greene's park. Justice of the Peace Deborah Boyd officiated the double-ring ceremony. The bride's parents are Tommy and Pat Hood and the groom's parents are Charles and Deana Cooper, all of Snyder. The bride was escorted by her father and her son, Mitch Marcon. Both are employed at the TDCJ Warehouse Division in Snyder. A reception followed the ceremony. (Contributed Photo)

Halloween can be dangerous

MINEOLA, New York — Americans will be celebrating Halloween in just a few short weeks. Although it is one of the most exciting nights of the year, it can also be one of the most dangerous.

On this night children are four times more likely to suffer a pedestrian-related fatality or injury than any other night of the year.

This is a clear indicator that safety should be a primary concern for both adults and children.

Below you will find tips for your readers that will help make this Halloween safe and enjoyable.

Halloween is one of the most thrilling nights of the year for children, however, it is also one of the most dangerous. According to the Centers for Disease Control, children are four times more likely to suffer a pedestrian-related fatality or injury on this holiday than any other night of the year.

As trick-or-treaters hit the streets this Halloween, an adult's primary concern should be the safety of their little ghosts and goblins. Whether reinforcing the rules of the road to trick-or-treaters or simply choosing the safest costumes, there are measures that parents and caregivers can take to ensure the well being of their lovable ghouls.

"Pedestrian safety is an issue that should be addressed year round," said Tony Greco, owner, Lillian Costume Company.

"On Halloween, both parents and children need to be extra cautious because the excitement of running from house to house for treats can be distracting for kids and cause them to forget about traffic safety."

With this in mind, Lillian Costume Company offers the following tips for having a spooktacular and safe Halloween.

•Choose a costume that has bright colors, and always attach retro-reflective tape, fabric, or patches to a child's costume or trick-or-treat bag. This enables motorists to better spot children that are walking down the street.

•Make sure a child's costume fits correctly. A costume should be comfortable and hemmed to a proper length in order to avoid a trip or fall that could cause serious injury.

•Avoid wearing a mask if possible. Makeup is a safe alternative because it allows better vision. If a mask is necessary, make certain that it is snug enough so that it doesn't fall down over the eyes and obstruct vision.

•If a child's costume requires props, be sure that they are flexible, have a dull edge, or made out of materials such as cardboard. These types of accessories will not cause injury during horseplay or if fallen on.

•Have children carry a flashlight when trick-or-treating after dark. This not only allows the child to see better but also lets the drivers spot them easily.

Lillian Costume Company, located in Mineola, NY, is a family-owned business that has been serving the area since 1935. Lillian Costume Company provides people of all ages with an extensive line of costumes for Halloween, theatrical productions and costume parties through their retail store and web site. For more information on Lillian Costume Company's costumes, please visit www.lilliancostume.com.

Can anything be sadder than work unfinished? Yes; work never begun.

—Christina Rossetti

School Menus

Snyder

All meals are served with milk pouch; breakfast with juice, cereal and toast.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
BREAKFAST
Monday
Scrambled Eggs w/Bacon
Cereal & Toast
Chilled Peaches
Tuesday
Biscuit & Sausage
Wednesday
Egg & Cheese Taco
Thursday
French Toast Sticks
Friday
Sausage in a Biscuit
LUNCH
Monday
Hot Dogs
Hard Shell Tacos
Mashed Potatoes
Spanish Rice
Fresh Fruit
Tuesday
Barbecued Beef Sandwich
Chicken Parmesan
Sandwich
French Fries
Lettuce & Pickles
Chilled Pears
Wednesday
Chicken Quesadilla
Soft Chicken Taco
Campfire Beans
Mexicorn
Blueberry Muffins
Thursday
Crunchy Corn Dog
Turkey & Cheese Sub
Potato Salad
Peas & Carrots
Fruited Gelatin
Friday
Pepperoni Pizza
"Fighting Tiger"
Cheeseburger
Tater Tots
Tossed Salad
Ranch Dressing

JR. HI., HIGH SCHOOL
Monday
Hot Dogs
Hard Shell Tacos
Pepperoni Pizza
"Fighting Tiger"
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Mashed Potatoes
Spanish Rice
Tuesday
Barbecue Beef Sandwich
Chicken Parmesan Sandwich
Pepperoni Pizza
"Fighting Tiger"
Cheeseburger
French Fries
Lettuce & Pickles
Chilled Pears
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Pepperoni Pizza
'Fighting Tiger"
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickles
Potato Salad
Pears & Carrots
Fruited Gelatin
Friday
Pepperoni Pizza
"Fighting Tiger"
Cheeseburger
Lettuce & Pickle
Tater Tots
Tossed Salad
Ranch Dressing
Brownie

Ira

All meals are served with choice of milk; breakfast with juice.

BREAKFAST
Monday
French Toast Sticks
Sausage
Tuesday
Breakfast Burritos
Wednesday
Pancakes
Thursday
Sausage on a Stick
Friday
Pop Tarts
LUNCH
Monday
Barbecued Chicken
Strips/Corn Dogs
Corn on the Cobb
Black-eyed Peas
Corn Bread
Pudding
Tuesday
Spaghetti and Meat
Sauce/Chicken Patti
Salad
Peas
Bread Sticks
Peanut Butter Cookies
Wednesday
Fish Sticks/Chicken Fried
Steak
Macaroni & Cheese
Mixed Vegetables
Bread
Peach Cobbler
Thursday
Pizza/Peanut Butter
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Green Beans
Carrots
Fruit
Friday
Chopped Barbecue on a
Bun/Grilled Cheese
Corn
Ranch Style Beans
Oranges

Hermleigh

All meals are served with milk; breakfasts with juice.

BREAKFAST
Monday
Grilled Cheese
Tuesday
Breakfast Combo
Wednesday
Sausage/Biscuit
Thursday
Blueberry Muffins
Friday
Cinnamon Rolls

LUNCH
Monday
Corn Dogs
French Fries
Tomato Wedges
Range Slice
Tuesday
Chicken & Dumplings
Spinach
Carrot Sticks
Hot Biscuits
Pineapple Pudding
Wednesday
Steak Fingers w/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Hot Rolls
Pears
Thursday
Tacos
Lettuce & Tomatoes
Refried Beans
Cardinal Cake
Friday
Barbecue Sandwich
Pickles/Onions
Doritos
Frozen Fruit Cup

Grab a little "me" time.
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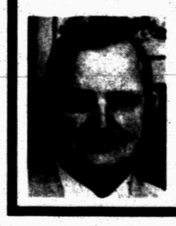
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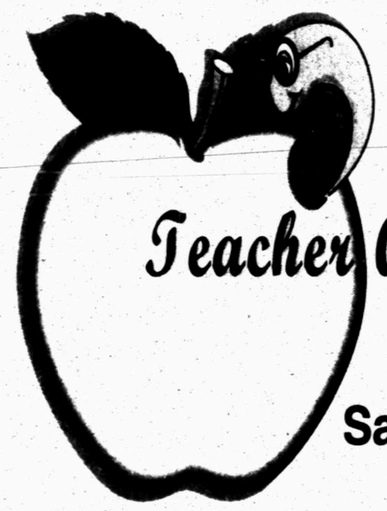
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RETIREMENT RECEPTION HELD — Jean Taylor is congratulated by A.J. Henderson in the photo at left. Jean, second from left in the top photo, is visiting with Cloyce Talbott, Anita Talbott and Darlene Burk at her retirement reception held Sept. 30. She retires from Patterson Petroleum LP, LLLP after 23 years of service. Friends and co-workers also honored her with a luncheon at the Snyder Country Club. (Contributed Photo)



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Others are Eva J. Davis Maestas, Janis Devenport Thompson, Pat Gage Hardee, Darla Gilbert Smith, Jo Hawthorne Eiland, Viola Hinojos, Oma Ann Ivison, Marilyn Lampson Clark, Wilda Livingston Montgomery, Barbara Mahan Holder, John Maize, Dick Martin, Betty McKinney Haase and Juanita Mitchell Reed.

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Dad to remain bachelor now

CINCINNATI (AP) — The star of NBC's "Who Wants to Marry My Dad?" is remaining a bachelor.

Don Mueller, of suburban Cincinnati, said his proposal to a California woman is off because neither wanted to relocate. Mueller proposed to Christena Ferran, of San Diego, on the Aug. 11 episode after his four grown children selected her to become his wife.

"We agreed mutually that neither of us would relocate," said Mueller, 48, owner of a map printing business in Fairfield. "She has two kids in high school, a junior and a sophomore, and their dad is a very active part of their life. I can't leave the company I founded 25 years ago, and my grandson is here."

Ferran, in her early 40s, didn't want to uproot her daughters from California, where she's active with charities and as a champion Arabian horse rider.

Mueller met last weekend with Ferran in San Diego. It was the first time he had visited her home, and only the sixth time they had been together since the engagement ceremony was taped in late May.

While in California, Mueller visited with his 21-year-old daughter Heidi and 22-year-old son Chris in Los Angeles. Heidi makes her acting debut Oct. 24 on NBC's "Passions." Chris went to Los Angeles to pursue modeling and acting.

Mueller said one reason he agreed to the show was that it allowed him time to visit with his children in California.

"The honest reason I did it was so I could spend three weeks of my life with my kids as adults," he said. "I knew it would never happen again."





50TH ANNIVERSARY — Jimmy Lee Layne and Emma Louise Evans were married Oct. 8, 1953 at her parents', Elmer and Myrtle Evans, home in Snyder with the late Rev. C.J. Smith officiating. Jimmy's parents were the late Henry and Oleta Layne, also of Snyder. Their children and grandchildren will host a celebration at 2 p.m., Oct. 11 in the First Baptist Church in Ira. Their three daughters and their spouses are Danita and Terry Roe of Longview, Kim and Ronnie Hines of Snyder and Donna and Gene Wilczewski of Stephenville. They have five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. (Contributed Photos)

Sugar beet truck is hijacked

MOORHEAD, Minn. (AP) — This hijacker couldn't beet the rap and ended up in a pickle.

Authorities say a man with a knife hijacked a sugar beet truck and threatened the driver. The truck then collided with another truck before the suspect was apprehended by other truckers.

"It's the first beet truck hijacking I've ever heard of," Clay County Sheriff Bill Bergquist said.

Mandy Fulsebakke, of Fargo, said she was driving a beet truck into a field at a beet piling station early Thursday when the hijacker approached.

"A man pulled in behind me," Fulsebakke said. "As I was getting out of my truck, he got out of his car, came up to me and started asking me some really bizarre questions.

"He showed me that he had a knife, ordered me back to my truck and told me to drive," Fulsebakke said.

The hijacker choked her and threatened to kill her, she said.

"He had the knife held against my head and neck," she said.

Fulsebakke said she was able to signal to another driver and jump out of the truck. The other driver called for help. Authorities say other truck drivers held the suspect until he was taken into custody.

"We were told that (the hijacker) got angry at something or somebody there, and when the manager was called, he had already left the beet plant," Bergquist said.

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Scurry County Anti-drug Connection

The best things in life are drug free

The Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with the Scurry County Anti Drug Connection and Al-Anon support groups devote this column to current information on substance abuse, and how we, as a community, can work together to create a safe and drug free environment for our children.

Part 3 of 3

Straight Talk : A guide to discussing alcohol and drugs with your children

Grades seven through nine: Although teen-agers often seem unreceptive to their parents as they struggle to become independent, they need parental support, involvement and guidance more than ever. Young teens can experience rapid shifts in their bodies, emotional lives and relationships.

Adolescence is often a confusing and stressful time, characterized by mood changes and insecurity, as teens struggle to figure out who they are and how to fit in. It's not surprising that this is the time when many young people try alcohol, tobacco and other drugs for the first time.

Parents may not realize that their young teens feel surrounded by drug use. Nearly nine out of 10 teens agree that "it seems like marijuana is everywhere these days." Teens are twice as likely to be using marijuana as parents believe they are, and teens are getting high in the places that parents think are safe havens, such as school, home and friends' houses.

Parents profoundly shape the choices teens make about drugs. Take advantage of how much young people care about social image and appearance to point out the immediate, distasteful consequences of tobacco and marijuana use — for example, that smoking causes bad breath and stained teeth and makes clothes and hair smell. At the same time, you should discuss drugs' long-term effects: The lack of crucial social and emotional skills ordinarily learned during adolescence.

The risk of lung cancer and emphysema from smoking.

Car accidents and liver damage from heavy drinking.

Addiction, brain coma and death.

Grades 10 through 12: Older teens already have had to make decisions many times about whether to try drugs. Today's teens are savvy about drug use, making distinctions not only among different drugs and their effects, but also among trial, occasional use and addiction.

To resist peer pressure, teens need more than a general message not to use drugs. Teens need to be warned of the potentially deadly effects of combining drugs. They need to hear a parent's assertion that anyone can become an addict and that even non-addicted use can have serious permanent consequences. Because most high school students are future oriented, they are more likely to listen to discussions of how drugs can ruin chances of getting into a good college, being accepted by the military or being hired for certain jobs. Teen-agers tend to be idealistic and enjoy hearing about ways they can help make the world a better place. Make sure teens understand the effect that drug use has on society. Appeal to your teen by pointing out how avoiding illegal drugs helps make your town a better place.

Your teen-ager may be aware of the debate over the legalization of marijuana and whether or not doctors should be able to prescribe it for medicinal purposes. The idea that there might be legitimate health advantages to an illegal drug is confusing. You may want to let your teen know that the ingredient in marijuana that has some medicinal value — delta-9- tetrahydrocannabinol — already can be prescribed by doctors in a pill form that doesn't contain the cancer-causing substances of smoked marijuana. Other medical painkillers include codeine and morphine, both of which have been determined safe for prescription use after rigorous testing and review by scientific medical organizations.

It is important that parents praise and encourage teens for all the things they do well and for the positive choices they make. When you are proud of your son or daughter, tell him or her. Knowing they are seen and appreciated by the adults in their lives is highly motivating and can shore up their commitments to avoid drug use. Your teen also may be impressed by the importance of serving as a good role model for a younger brother or sister

Our new office is located at 1902 37th Street.

For more information on how you and/or your business or organization can be involved in promoting a drug-free community, contact the Scurry County Anti-Drug Connection at the Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 574-1931 or 573-1411.

Public Records

Marriage License

Daniel Lee Gray and Mary Lou Smith, both of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

American State Bank vs. Ruth Ann Kerry, suit on note.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Angel Reyes and Mary Angela Reyes, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Mandy Corrine Salinas and Jose Omar Salinas, divorce granted

In the marriage of Nicole Christian Redman and Clifford Jennings Redman, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Billy Ray Newton and Katy Ray Newton, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Jerry D. Adams and Lorna Adams, divorce granted.

Doug and Nena Neff vs. Cindy Herridge, individually and as next friend of Cody Shane Nowlain and Progressive Mutual Insurance Co., agreed judgment.

Scurry County vs. Jack Burrell, et al, order of dismissal.

Deed Records

Mel Martinez, secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, to Robert W. and Rebecca Whipple, Lot 6 in Block 2 of the Morningside Subdivision of Blocks 9-10, 15-16, 25-25 of the Adams Addition.

Max E. Vincent to Wade Garrett, Lot 8 in Block 18 of the Andress Heights Addition.

K.D. and Jo Ball and Dennis Ball to Brian Garmer, 1.184 acres in the northeast one-quarter of Section 484, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Jaloisa Zboril, Christy Lemay, Scott Libby, Heather Adams, April Petit and Chase Wallace to Anice Wallace, the south 76 feet of Lot 12 and the south 76 feet of the west one-half of Lot 11, Block 35 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Floyd House, independent executor of the estate of Betty Baird House, to Floyd House, Lot 16 in Block 2 of the Parkview Addition.

Nora Lee Clark, independent executrix of the estate of Annie L. Wallace, to Nora Lee Clark, tract one being the north one-half of Section 136, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being the north 164.8 acres in Section 33, Kirkland and Fields survey; tract three being the north 60 acres of the east 120 acres of the northeast one-quarter of Section 113, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Rent-N-Haul Inc. to John's Pump and Supply Inc., tract one being 1.16 acres in Section 197, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being 3.39 acres in Section 179, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Penni Coffee, individually and as independent executrix of the estate of Martha Gayle McCarver, et al, to Opus Services Inc., 1.87 acres in Tract 37 of the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank subdivision of the Grimes Ranch Lands in Section 14, Block 1, J.P. Smith survey.

Jennifer Townsley, Connie Jo Keaton and Deborah Kay Rodgers to Juanita Ellington, tract one being Lot 9 in Block 3 of the Highlands Addition; tract two being an undivided one-half interest in 106.66 acres in the south one-third of the west one-half of Section 90, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Matthew N. and Kori L. Glenn to Lacee and Cody Cox, Lot 4 in Block 9 of the Park Place Addition.

B.J. Seale, individually and as attorney-in-fact, for Edith Seale, to the Seale Family Living Partnership, Lot 6 in Block 2 of the Colonial Hill East Addition.

Swartz and Brough Inc. to Judith Ayala, Lot 8 in Block 2 of the Kittrell Heights Addition.

Jimmie C. Dyess to J.D. Dyess and Shirley Bullard, an undivided interest in Lot 10, Block A of the Towle Place Addition.

Hermilio and Monica Castillo to Pablo and Norma Verduzco, tract one being the west 70 feet of Lot 2 in Block 21 of the Adams Addition; tract two being the east one-half of Lot 1 in Block 22 of the Adams Addition.

Billy B. Bayless, individually and as attorney-in-fact, for Keith D. Bayless, Carl Weldon Bayless, Michael W. Bayless, Debbie Bayless Vance, Vickie Marie Bayless, Richard Glenn Bayless and Claudia Bayless, to Simon Gonzales, Lots 1 and 2 in Block 75 of the Town of Hermleigh.

Bobby Joe and Ola Throys Nachlinger and Jackie D. Nachlinger to Michael J. Nachlinger, the northeast one-quarter of Section 98, Block 3, H&TC survey.

John Larkin West to Ted Morgan West, tract one being all of Section 269, Block 1, H&TC survey; tract two being all of Section 268, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract three being all of Section 245, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract four being 264.5 acres, being a part of the Marshall A. Fuller Survey No. 2 and the J.A. Kuykendall Survey No. 1; tract five being the northeast one-quarter of Section 499 and the south 40 acres of Section 500, both in Block 97, H&TC survey.

Dorothy Kay Petersen, independent executrix of the estate of David George Peterson, to Dorothy Kay Peterson, the south 54 feet of Lot 8 and the north 15 feet of Lot 9 in Block 4 of the Scott and Browning Addition.

Dorothy Kay Peterson, independent executrix of the estate of David George Peterson, to Dorothy Kay Peterson, Lot 7 of the R.G. Davenport subdivision of Section 34, Kirkland and Fields survey.

Mary Pamela Winn, independent executrix of the estate of Lola Faye Byrd, to Jeffrey D. Barclay, Lot 1 in Block C of the Replat of the Towle Place Addition.

Roger L. and Doris J. Lollar to Hector M. and Amy G. Alvarez, Lot 8 in Block 2 of the Wall Addition.

Myron Fenton to Burt Brown, the south 50 feet of Lot 2 in Block 22 of the Lundy Park Addition.

Winning Lotto Texas ticket sold in Winters

(AUSTIN) — For a town known for such things as the Blizzards (school mascot), and manufacturing air conditioning equipment (the Manufacturing Capital of West Texas), this week dawned warm and bright for Winters, Texas. A single ticket purchased for Wednesday night's *Lotto Texas*™ drawing, worth an estimated $10 million, was sold at West Dale Grocery, located at 501 West Dale Street.

"The ticket that matched all five numbers and the Bonus Ball number is the first ever sold in Runnels County," Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Reagan E. Greer, said. "In addition to that ticket, we had 60,462 winning tickets sold for last night's drawing. Players won more than $6.7 million, which includes one ticket that matched the first five numbers for a $31,505 cash prize."

The ticket was purchased with the Cash Value Option, and is worth $6,351,857.00. The retail owner is eligible for a bonus of $100,000.

Greer noted that since the re-vamped *Lotto Texas* game began in May, there have been more than 3.2 million winning tickets sold for cash prizes.

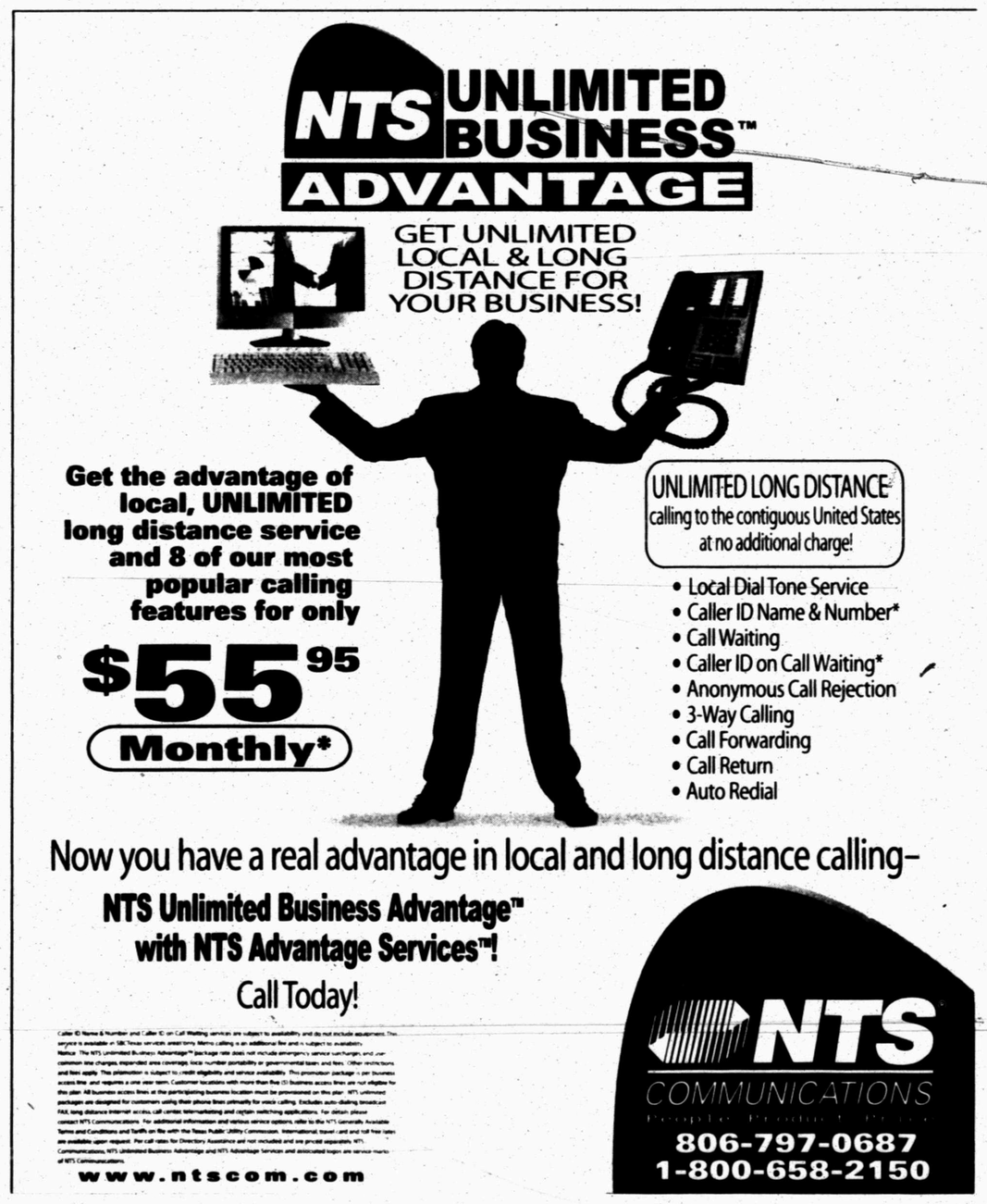
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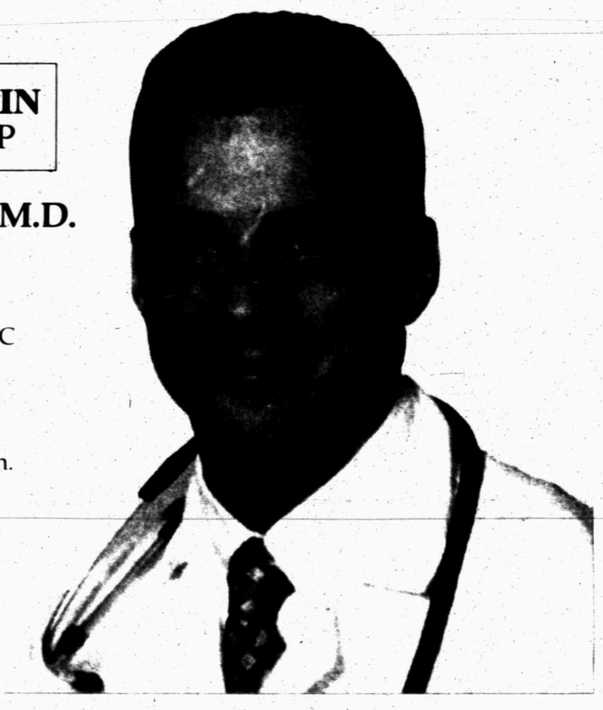
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Abusive supervisor leaves worker with no place to turn

DEAR ABBY: I have a serious problem with my supervisor at work. I'll call her Lydia. I began working for Lydia last year after being laid off for four months from another company. Since then, I've been picked on and harassed unmercifully. I find myself "walking on eggshells" and feeling anxious every day. Lydia is constantly looking for something about me to criticize. She does not treat anyone else this way, and I cannot figure out the best way to deal with her.

Please don't tell me to complain to the human resources department because I have already tried that. I was told to fill out a grievance report and submit it to Lydia's boss — who I have heard say: "Lydia makes all the decisions. I trust her judgment and I support her to the end."

I have been documenting Lydia's treatment of me since last spring. I cannot afford to lose my job; however, I don't know if I have the emotional strength to tolerate the abuse much longer. — **TIRED OF GETTING YELLED AT IN DAYTON, OHIO**

DEAR TIRED: Make sure you're doing a good job and are punctual about attendance. Continue documenting Lydia's treatment. Since "complaining" has not helped, present copies of your documentation to the human resources director. That should get the director's attention. If the situation doesn't improve, start looking for another job — and send a copy of your documentation to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), along with a letter of complaint.

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DEAR ABBY: My 35-year-old daughter, "Linda," moved back home to live with my husband and me. She recently attempted suicide and is now going to counseling for substance abuse and depression. I have tried hard to avoid bringing up old issues that have created problems between us in the past. One issue that keeps recurring, however, is the embarrassing way Linda dresses. The clothes she wears make her look cheap and available.

Should we bite our tongues and keep our mouths shut? — **SILENTLY HURTING IN GEORGIA**

DEAR SILENTLY HURTING: Refrain from saying anything critical that could be blown out of proportion at this sensitive time. Your daughter is dealing with far more serious issues than fashion faux pas right now. When it's appropriate, her counselor will probably address the issue of how she is packaging herself. So be patient. In situations like this, timing is everything.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Dan," and I divorced six years ago when our daughter, "Jessica," was 3 months old. Jessica and her father are very close and visit each other often. The problem is, Dan and his father had an argument several years ago and haven't talked since. Jessica has not seen her grandfather for several years, and she asks me what happened to him.

Would it be OK for me to contact Dan's father? I don't want to overstep my bounds or do anything to strain the friendly relationship I have with Dan. I don't see why Jessica can't visit her grandfather even though the "grown-ups" can't get along. Please advise. — **CONFUSED IN NORTHRIDGE, CALIF.**

DEAR CONFUSED: Before making any phone calls to Grandpa, first discuss it with Dan. Tell him that Jessica has been asking about her grandfather. It's possible that your daughter's request will cause some fences to be mended, so think positive.

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DEAR ABBY: I am an 11-year-old girl who feels like I have lived long enough and it's OK to die. A girl at my school, "Kim," pressured me to give her my telephone number and the names of the boys I like. She gets her friends to threaten, corner and question me.

Now I get crank calls at least once a month. My mother called Kim's mother, but she accused me of treating her daughter badly! Kim has lied and hurt me severely. I don't know what to do. Please help. — **WANTING TO MOVE OUT OF CALIFORNIA**

DEAR WANTING: If there is teasing, threatening, stalking or bullying going on at school, your teacher should be informed. If that doesn't put a stop to it, your parents should take the problem to the principal and, if need be, to the school board. You have a right to go to school without being cornered or intimidated.

Your mother should also arrange a get-together with Kim's mother and, without making any accusations, get to the bottom of what's going on. It will be time well spent.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 27 and have been happily married to "Brian" for four years. Our first child is due in November. I couldn't be more excited about this baby. The problem lies with my husband. While I am sure Brian wants a baby and will love our child with all his heart, I am not sure he's ready for parenthood.

I realize that no one can ever be truly prepared for the life changes a baby can throw your way, but I'm afraid that this is not the right time in Brian's life for it. He swears that he is ready and has no regrets about my pregnancy. He claims that this is what life is all about. But I can't shake the feeling that my husband is not as ready as he claims.

I love Brian and know he'll be a great dad. However, I fear that our child may drive a wedge between us when he realizes that the baby's needs must come before his own. How can I be the mom I want to be and still keep my husband happy? — **EXCITED BUT WORRIED IN TENNESSEE**

DEAR EXCITED: Since your husband has said repeatedly that he's happy about impending fatherhood, believe him. Relax and enjoy your baby. There will probably be times when you both may feel trapped and wish you could live life more spontaneously. All parents feel that way at times — and when they do, they find a baby sitter and spend some adult time with each other.

I urge you not to obsess about the negative. That, more than anything else, could drive a wedge between you.

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DEAR ABBY: You printed a letter from a woman who signed her letter "Mother of Invention." Years ago, my son, Jim, forgot my birthday, and I also sent my daughter-in-law a sympathy card with a note saying I didn't know my "negligent" son had died.

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My thanks to "Mother of Invention" and to you for printing that letter. It brought back memories. — **MOTHER OF A GREAT SON IN PENNSYLVANIA**

DEAR MOTHER: I like your son's sense of humor. I'll bet that was the last time he forgot your birthday.

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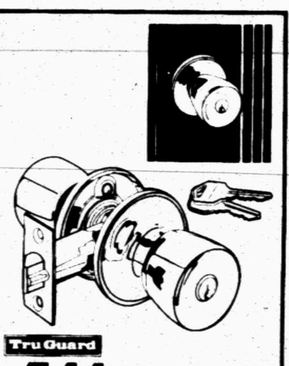
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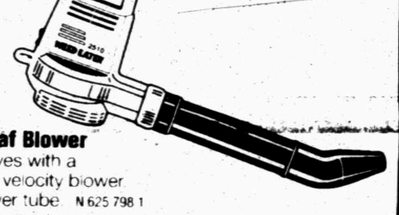
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Bush says Saddam Hussein had deceived rest of world

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Friday that a search for weapons of mass destruction in Iraq made clear that Saddam Hussein had deceived the international community and was "a danger to the world."

In a rebuttal by a leading congressional critic, House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi said the results of the search to date demonstrated no imminent threat existed "and here was time for more diplomatic effort before we went to war."

Bush made his comments at the White House, Pelosi in the Capitol, the two offering differing interpretations of an interim report submitted by chief U.S. weapons inspector David Kay.

While Kay's initial report said no weapons of mass destruction have been found, Bush said the investigation showed that Saddam was violating U.N. resolutions demanding that he disarm.

"So he's no longer in power and the world is better for it," the president said.

Bush seized on possible evidence of covert programs to make illegal weapons and said that extensive work remains to be done.

"But these findings already make clear that Saddam Hussein actively deceived the international community, that Saddam Hussein, was in clear violation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1441 and that Saddam Hussein was a danger to the world," he said.

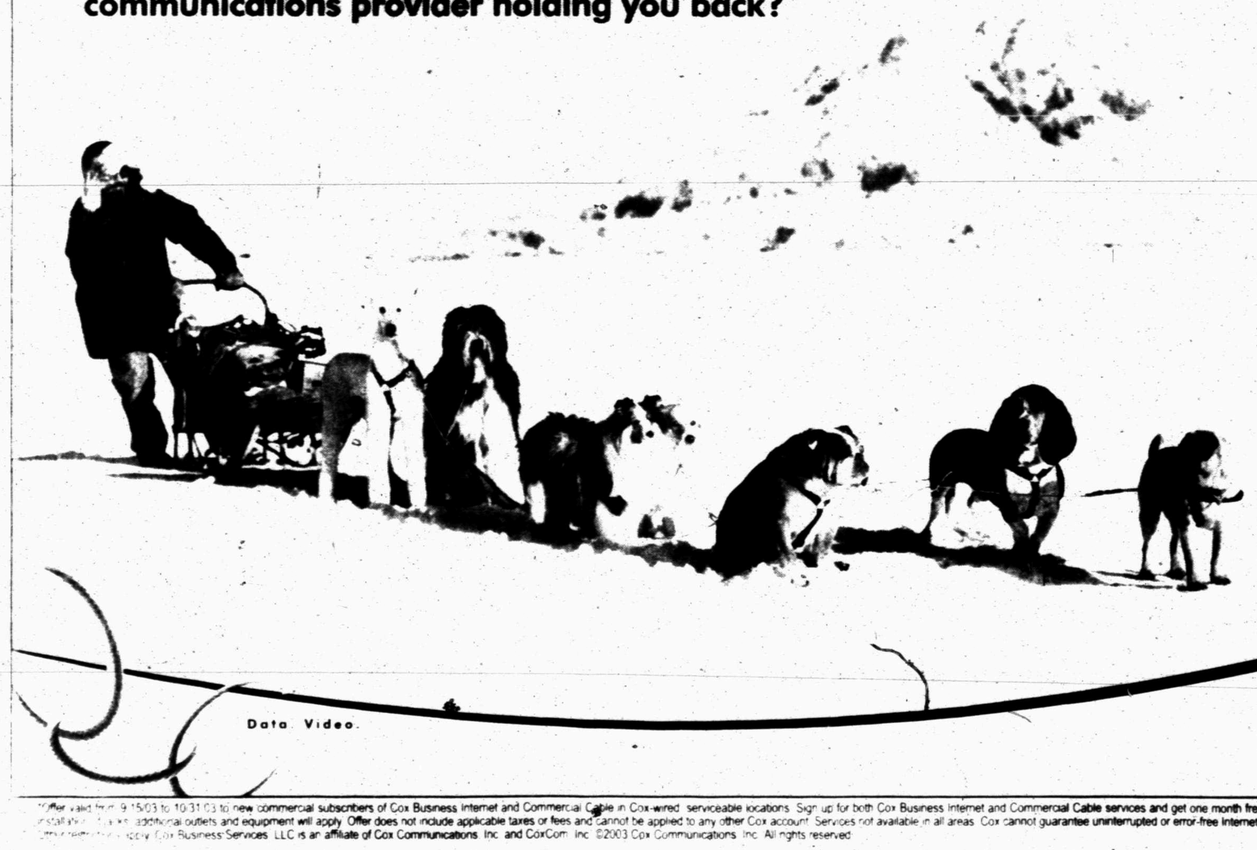
The president brushed aside a poll that said public confidence in his ability to deal wisely with an international crisis had dropped sharply. "Sometimes the American people like the decisions I make, sometimes they don't," he said. "But they need to know I'll make tough decisions based upon what I think is right."

Pelosi, D-Calif., who met with Kay in a secure room in the Capitol, emerged to tell reporters that "it was clear to me that there was no imminence of a threat for weapons of mass destruction," as the White House had claimed.

She said the discoveries made so far are evidence of Iraq's aspiration for a weapons program, but added there was a difference between that and achieving the ability to deploy such weapons.

Pelosi, who voted against last year's authorization of the use of force in Iraq, said the classified intelligence she saw at the time did not support the claim of an imminent threat of the banned weapons.

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Saturday, Oct. 4, 2003

Today is the 277th day of 2003 and the 12th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1648, Peter Stuyvesant established the first volunteer firemen in America.

On this day in 1957, the Soviet Union launched "Sputnik I," the world's first unmanned satellite.

On this day in 1965, Pope Paul VI became the first reigning pope to visit the United States.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Rutherford B. Hayes (1822-1893), U.S. President; Damon Runyon (1884-1946), writer; Buster Keaton (1895-1966), actor; Charlton Heston (1923-), actor, is 80; Susan Sarandon (1946-), actress, is 57; Liev Schreiber (1967-), actor, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1895, the first U.S. Open golf tournament took place in Newport, R.I.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, but that's the way to bet." — Damon Runyon

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Oct. 2) and full moon (Oct. 10).

Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003

Today is the 278th day of 2003 and the 13th day of autumn.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1947, Harry Truman gave the first televised presidential address from the White House.

On this day in 1974, David Kunst returned to his hometown of Waseca, Minn., completing the first round-the-world journey by foot.

On this day in 1989, the Dalai Lama was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Chester A. Arthur (1830-1886), U.S. President; Ray Kroc (1902-1984), fast food mogul; Bob Geldof (1954-), musician, is 49; Bernie Mac (Bernard Jeffrey McCollough) (1958-), comedian, is 45; Kate Winslet (1975-), actress, is 28.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1953, the Yankees broke their own record by winning their fifth consecutive World Series.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "When you're green, you're growing. When you're ripe, you rot." — Ray Kroc

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Oct. 2) and full moon (Oct. 10).

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Hemingway grandchildren settle dispute

MIAMI (AP) — Eight grandchildren of Ernest Hemingway have settled a dispute over the $7.5 million estate of the writer's transsexual son Gregory, averting a ruling from a judge on whether Gregory died a man or a woman.

Lawyers from both sides disclosed the settlement Friday. The details were confidential.

The dispute was between the grandchildren and Gregory's widow, Ida, and stemmed from her assertion that she was entitled to the estate because she had remarried Gregory in 1997, after he underwent sex-change surgery. He then began going by the name Gloria Hemingway.

The grandchildren contested the validity of the marriage, since Florida law does not recognize same-sex marriage.

Circuit Judge Arthur Rothenberg would have had to determine whether Gregory Hemingway was a man or a woman at his death.

Gregory Hemingway died of cardiovascular disease in his cell in a Miami women's jail where he was taken after being arrested for indecent exposure in 2001.

A will written in 1994 called for Gregory's estate to be split among his eight children and Ida. But the couple divorced in 1995, with a settlement excluding Ida from inheriting.

Eight months after Gregory's death, Ida Hemingway produced a will bearing dates in 1997 and 1998 leaving $1,000 each to three of his eight children, $20,000 to a friend and the rest to Ida.

Democrats welcome Bush's fall in polls

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's poll ratings are nosediving. His Justice Department is investigating his staff. And his two biggest political headaches — an ailing economy and Iraq — are not going away anytime soon.

But it's not enough, it's never enough, for state Democratic leaders gathering here for three days of meetings.

Though buoyed by the president's woes, party activists warned that Bush still has the upper hand. They raised doubts about their newest candidate, Wesley Clark, and urged second-tier contenders to get out of the race. They worried that the primary fight could drag on longer than expected — perhaps even into next summer's presidential nominating convention.

"That would be an unnatural state and uncomfortable for people, but it might be healthy for the party," said Debbie Dingell, a Democratic National Committee member from Michigan. She said some of her state's top Democrats were considering going to the convention uncommitted.

Democratic Party Chairman Terry McAuliffe led a drive to compress the primary contests into a six-week span ending in early March. The strategy allows for the eventual nominee to gather his forces against Bush, who is expected to raise tens of millions dollars more than any Democrat.

Ike Leggett, chairman of the Maryland Democratic party, said the race may last deep into the spring or summer. "But I don't subscribe to the notion that we need somebody now. I think it's healthy that we have a tough race, 10 voices raised against Bush," Leggett said.

Most DNC members said they believe Howard Dean's fund-raising success makes him a sure bet to survive the first few primary rounds, and the only question now is who emerges as the former Vermont governor's chief rival. Some are anxious to get on with it.

"The fact that these candidates haven't caught fire, haven't raised any money, can't campaign in every state and won't even qualify for Secret Service protection in January tells me it's time for them to go," said Donna Brazile, manager of Vice President Al Gore's 2000 campaign.

Brazile, who has not taken sides in the race, declined to say whom she wants to drop out. Anita Freedman, a DNC member from New Hampshire, said her list would start with Florida Sen. Bob Graham, who lags in polls and is being advised to get out of the race or substantially trim back his campaign.

"I wish some of them would get out, because they're not really running," said Freedman, a supporter of Rep. Dick Gephardt of Missouri.

Clark, a retired Army general, has shaken up the race. Democrats said they are intrigued by his potential to stand toe-to-toe with Bush on foreign policy, but some questioned the Arkansan's commitment to the party.

"He's got a long way to go before he shows he's a Democrat people can support," said Tonio Burgos of New Jersey.

Clark voiced strong support for the Bush administration in 2001, and didn't declare his allegiance to the Democratic Party until shortly before he jumped into the race on Sept. 17. He's not even a registered Democrat.

Tina Abbott, secretary treasurer of the AFL-CIO in Michigan, said she's unsettled by Clark's short ties to the party. "What's a real Democrat? He says he's one. But I don't know him that well. I hope to get to know him at the meeting," she said.

One thing the Democrats agree upon is Bush's vulnerability.

When the 445-member DNC last met in February, the president's job approval rating hovered around 60 percent. Seven months later, it's in the high 40s to mid 50s.

"Six months ago, activists were hoping we'd be competitive. Today is a whole different story," said Vern Thompson, executive director of the North Dakota party. "It looks like Bush II is going to be like Bush I."

Still, no Democrat thinks the president is a pushover.

"He has a huge warchest, and as a country we still like him personally," Leggett said. "The country also is still hesitant about what to do in a time of crisis, with terrorism around the world."

Even as U.S. casualties mount in Iraq, the economy takes hits and the Justice Department investigates the White House over the outing of a covert CIA agent, "Bush still gets the benefit of the doubt," Leggett said.

"His likeability carries him to some degree. Nothing we can do about that."

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Letters to the editor

Know address, phone number

Dear Editor:

I am a crossing guard at 26th and Ave. L. I have had two small children that did not know their way home. They ride the bus and the teachers at Central don't have their addresses.

Parents, you should teach your child their address and phone numbers or put the addresses on their back packs or some of their books. They need to know the way home. There is too much going on now days. A small child could be picked up by someone or anything could happen.

You may say that won't happen to my child, it can happen to any child. It has happened in Snyder, read your paper.

Parents, I say teach your child their address and phone number. Watch out, it could be your child.

Thanks,
Frances Reeves

Update on Cox

Dear Editor:

Since my last letter, I have met with KTXS over the blocking out of WFAA, Channel 8. Carolyn House and I met with Cox. Of course, Cox said they are blameless, and gave us the Pontius Pilate routine.

I met with Jackie Rutledge, general manager for KTXS, she told me she was protecting their market and she was "not going to stop blocking out WFAA. I told her the citizens on Snyder were not happy with the situation, and KTXS market was not being threatened by WFAA ... she didn't seem to care. So, the gauntlet has been thrown down. Here are some of our options.

Jackie Rutledge's addresses and phone numbers are as follows: P.O. Box 2997, abilene, TX 79604. Phone 325-677-2881, Fax 325-676-9231, e-mail" rutledge@ktxs.com. Contact her and tell her of your dissatisfaction. Contact KTXS advertisers and tell them you will refuse to do business with them as long as they advertise on KTXS.

KTXS is basing their stance on the territory that is assigned by the Neilson rating system. I am going to look into getting this changed. I had much rather be considered by Neilson as a primary market to Lubbock.

I am gong to contact the FCC again and see what other options we have, and tell them the protectionism they have allowed to be institute4d by stations like KTXS is not in the consumers best interest.

Presently, I am looking at an article in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal (9-7-03) on Cox Communications. It seems Lubbock is looking at possibly letting NTS Communications Inc., bring OVS (open video system) into the city to give the people a choice in their cable options.

The article goes on to say Wolfforth's City Council has already given NTS permission to install OVS in their city. This sounds like something we might want to look into.

While on vacation I had the opportunity to discuss the problem with KCBD, Channel 11 picture quality with Karen McCay, the co-anchor of the news team. She told me to contact her personally and she would introduce me to the chief engineer to discuss the problem. Cox told us we were not in Lubbock's primary market. Ms. McCay disagrees, she says we are part of their primary market.

The next city council meeting is on Oct. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at city hall. At the last meeting there were 12 to 15 citizens who supported our efforts as trying to make a difference in this issue, we need more. Please come to the next city council meeting. If we are going to get any of this changed, we re going to have to be united in our cause.

A copy of the agreement between Cox and the city has been obtained. There are some interesting things about it we are going to check into.

I asked Cox if they were going to raise their rates after the first of the year, as I mentioned in the first letter. Their answer was evasive. They said they were budgeting at present and they didn't know what next year held for price increases.

The only positive note in the Cox meeting was they promised Carolyn House and I they would install the equipment to overlay KTXS signal on the WFAA channel, so we would not have to look at a black screen during the times KTXS is blocking out WFAA's signal. This helps, but it is not the solution we all want.

As far as I am concerned this is far from over, but we must stay united and determined, or our efforts will not succeed, and we will get what we deserve for our complacency.

Lanny Covey

More taxes

Dear Editor:

As a home owner and taxpayer, why am I being punished by higher taxes because of county commissioners, hospital board members and hospital mismanagement.

If Scurry County votes on hospital district, taxes will increase. Truthfully my husband and I are burdened already by high taxes. My house payment alone has increased every year.

If the hospital is leased then Scurry County would get paid tax money. If the hospital goes distinct, then we pay to keep it up and running by tax increases every year — never ending.

Can we really afford more taxes, I can't, can you?

Melba McNiel

Open Government Barometer

Number of Executive Sessions held by public entities in 2003.

Snyder ISD	10
Hermleigh ISD	7
Ira ISD	7
City of Snyder	5
DCOS	4
Cogdell Hospital	1
WTC	1
Scurry County	0



Poor Rix's Almanac
by Rix Quinn

Dear Poor Rix: I am visiting this country on business, and just watched a football game on television. I do not understand this event. Can you explain it? — Sport Watcher

This game begins with the entrance of referees, people with striped shirts who enforce the rules. Occasionally, someone with striped shirt and long stick may appear, and wander aimlessly. He is a "lost golfer," and must be removed.

Next come the cheerleaders, who bounce onto the field, often displaying large chests and bare midriffs. And those are just the guys.

The girls look even better, and may wave their massive pom-poms to excite the crowd. (We'll discuss pom-poms another time.)

Then comes the team "mascot," often a farm animal, or a human dressed like one. If the animal relieves himself on the sidelines, people laugh. If the human tries this, he's arrested.

Next come two teams that wear different colors, plus a helmet to hide their identities from opponents they'll tackle later. For the next three hours each squad tries to go from one end of the field to the other.

Pay attention to the quarterback, who controls the football. Sometimes he throws it to a teammate (a "pass"). Sometimes he hands it to somebody (a "handoff").

And occasionally he may tiptoe to the sidelines, and give some cheerleader a big, wet kiss. This is called the "quarterback sneak."

There's more to tell, Sport Watcher, but I gotta go. On TV, they're about to show a "quarterback sneak" instant replay.

Poor Rix offers bad answers to good questions. Contact him at rixquinn@charter.net.



Speaker for all seasons
by Don Newbury

This is the stuff of fairy tales. When a company president opts to attend the wedding of an employee's son instead of keeping an attendance record for Texas A&M University football games intact, loyalty is redefined.

That's what happened to Rod Dockery who, on Sept. 27, was in Ardmore, Okla., instead of College Station, where he had seen every Aggie game since 1969.

He could have chosen the game instead. Possible excuses screamed out, "Choose me, choose me!" After all, the wedding was out of state... a previous commitment of long standing... suddenly taken ill...at home with a sick child, ad infinitum.

Rod turned deaf ears. He gave away his football tickets and headed for Ardmore where the faint odor of renegade Texas legislators remained.

Dockery and wife, Kim, sat toward the back of First Presbyterian Church. The marriage ceremony of Josh Purrtel* and Taylor McCutcheon started at 6 o'clock, not long after the Aggies lost their grip in the third quarter against Pitt. Friends gazed at Dockery as he settled into his pew, feeling sure they might see an earpiece wired to a pocket radio. Lo, there was none.

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Moments later, though, several dozen friends of Caleb and Linda Purrtel* stared straight at Rod, who unwittingly — or so he claimed — became a participant in the ceremony. The minister spoke to both sets of parents, asking them if they support their children in holy matrimony. The Purrtels,* and new in-laws John and Jenny McCutcheon of Ardmore, remembered what to do from rehearsal a day earlier. "We do" flowed flawlessly from all four mouths.

Dockery, thinking about the Aggie game if not, thought the minister asked the congregation to support Josh and Taylor. His thundering "we do" was like unto a fifth wheel, a distant echo several yards away from the quartet whose "we do's" with Blue Angel precision. Most of the audience turned in unison toward Dockery, who was "Hickory-Dickory" in their books. They heard exactly what the preacher asked. Why didn't he?

Later at the reception, Mrs. Dockery reminded the newly weds that if they needed a refrigerator, car payment or just about anything else, old Rod no doubt would want to help out. After all, his "we do" was just as loud as the parents.'

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It was a beautiful wedding. My wife said so. She's a veteran planner of weddings for our three daughters. Take it to the bank.

Josh and Taylor are only children, so there was planning to the nines. In fact, both moms played major roles, with Linda driving to Ardmore a week before the wedding to help with last-minute details, including finding a "just right" get-away car.

At an intersection near the church, she used her mobile phone to call Glenn Hyde back home in Ennis. He would locate an old Model A with a rumble seat. At mid-sentence, she saw the car of Josh's dreams alongside. She and Jenny screamed with delight, reaching a crescendo when they also spotted a policeman. "Follow that car," Jenny yelled at the officer. He did, and roadside arrangements were made to borrow the 75-year-old vehicle for a few minutes following the reception, and this was an "add-on" that didn't cost money.

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Rod swears that he was not a ceremonial participant on purpose. Still, those who know him well know of his antics as an Aggie cheerleader in the '65 season. He pulled off weekly pranks — with the help of his friends — that rank bold-face treatment in Ripley's "believe it" book.

He successfully orchestrated "borrowing" mascots from every Southwest Conference school. "But we took them straight to our vet school for safe-keeping," he purred. He and his co-pranksters were abducting the Baylor Bear, singing happy tunes on the way back to College Station. The bear seemed content in the back seat, swigging down two cases of Dr. Pepper — the official soft drink of BU. Alas, when the bear couldn't find a third case, he tore up his half of the 1950s Buick in protest.

Another time, a Texas Ranger showed up in Aggieland, vowing that when he left, he would have UT's beloved Bevo and/or Dockery in tow. Rod helped "steer the steer" into the trailer with lots of "yes-sirs" during the load-up.

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Oh, one last thing. The asterisk beside the Purrtel* name means that it is purposely misspelled. This is to protect Linda Purrtel* who, almost 40 years ago, quaked at the mention of Ardmore. Hubby Caleb (in the phone book under "Pirtle") came down with vapors and smothering spells. A young Fort Worth Star-Telegram feature writer at the time was dispatched to Ardmore to cover cock fights (fights were legal, but betting wasn't). He wrote it up brilliantly. It was so well done that the Associated Press picked it up. Some of Ardmore's finest citizens were at that chicken melee and were less than amused at Purrtel's* story. "I got tacky, threatening calls, so we got an unlisted number," Caleb admitted. I thought I'd heard the last of Ardmore. What are the odds my son would fall in love with a girl from there?"

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The newlyweds are honeymooning in the Bahamas, and they'll begin married life with splendid employment credentials — he's a CPA and she's a graduate of the University of Oklahoma Law School. They'll live in the Metroplex.

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Dr. Newbury, former president of Western Texas College, is an author/speaker/columnist near Fort Worth, a few miles south of senility. He points with pride to Josh Purrtel,* a model student/athlete. He was as good at schoolin' as he was playing hindcatcher in baseball, and he was a mighty good hindcatcher. Dr. Newbury can be reached at 817-447-3872 or by e-mail at newbury@speakerdoc.com

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Austin American-Statesman

Feds act to restrict plea bargains

As Texas governor, George W. Bush preached a credible sermon about local control. U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft might have learned something if he had listened to tapes of his boss' old speeches before yanking discretion from federal prosecutors.

Ashcroft issued orders last week to restrict the ability of federal prosecutors to enter into plea bargain agreements with criminal defendants. Ashcroft's directive requires prosecutors to charge defendants with "the most serious, readily provable offense" in every case and, with some exceptions, not to engage in plea negotiations.

That sounds tough on crime all right, but the directive is likely to be tougher on the federal courts. It is well-known that most criminal defendants would rather enter pleas than go to trial.

In the Western District of Texas — which includes Austin — 4,557 defendants pleaded guilty between October 2002 and August of this year, according to figures supplied by the U.S. Attorney's office in San Antonio. That contrasts with 57 defendants who were found guilty by juries.

Each number, of course, represents a different story. Just as no two people are alike, neither are any two criminal cases. Plea bargains not only save time and money, but offers of plea bargains give prosecutors leverage to pit criminals against one another. If plea bargain offers are off the table, more defendants are liable to take their chances with the jury. After all, trials take a long time to prepare, anything can happen and there is little for a defendant to lose.

Now look at those numbers again. So awash was the western district in criminal cases that U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison was demanding help. Even if a small fraction of the 4,000 or so defendants go to trial instead of plea bargain, the increase would cause a serious strain.

Listen to David Burnham, co-director of the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse at Syracuse University, which tracks data on federal law enforcement: "Plea bargains have been used historically because the courts don't have time to have trials. Charges are reduced to encourage prisoners to avoid going to trial, and we just don't have enough judges to do it differently. If you force everyone to go to trial, you'd have to hire a lot more judges."

No one is suggesting that federal prosecutors are perfect or that all handle their power and discretion well. But adopting a system of checklist justice is begging for trouble. Ashcroft would be well-advised to rethink the plea bargain ban.

The Baytown Sun

Telemarketers

The telephone rings, and then there's the unmistakable pause while the recorded message queues up the sales pitch.

Suckered in again and again, we say "Hello, hello" to a robotic voice or a huckster selling credit card protection or a time-share vacation getaway.

Maddening, frustrating. Even Caller ID can't offer 100 percent protection from the annoyances of telemarketers. The Texas Legislature felt our pain and enacted a state "do-not-call" list effective in July 2002. A federal list was to take effect next week, expanding the protection nationwide.

But a nation's hope for uninterrupted dinner time was dashed Tuesday when a federal judge in Oklahoma stopped the clock, ruling that the Federal Trade Commission overstepped its authority in creating the national list. The ruling sided with telemarketers who sued, challenging the FTC rule and questioning the intentions of the 50 million people who have already registered for the list.

Now, as much as we dislike those invasive calls, we're also concerned about the government's own invasiveness into the territory of free enterprise, about its ability to enforce the rules and about the inconsistency that bans some telemarketing calls but allows others.

For example, the do-not-call registry applies only to commercial sales pitches. Telemarketers can continue calling on behalf of political candidates or election issues. It's OK for polling companies to survey our opinions. And charities, even dubious ones allegedly supporting law enforcement or orphans, can still disturb our peace with their pleas for contributions.

Enforcement challenges parallel the difficulty with Internet regulations imposed in the United States that don't apply globally. How does the FTC expect to identify and penalize telemarketing companies based in Canada, Mexico or offshore?

The judge's ruling might have been more effective if it had addressed those concerns instead of challenging what was clearly a Congressional mandate to the FTC.

It's obvious Americans clamor for relief from unwanted telephone calls. What's less obvious is whose job it is to grant that relief fairly and consistently — government watchdogs or the industry itself?

After all, are politicians less annoying than vinyl siding salesmen?

The Dallas Morning News

"Affirmative action sale"

Famed First Amendment lawyer Floyd Abrams told a national group of editorial writers last week that threats to the First Amendment these days come more often from the left than the right. It was a provocative statement from Mr. Abrams, himself a man of the left. Yesterday's action by Southern Methodist University seems to back it up.

On Wednesday, SMU officials shut down an "affirmative action bake sale" sponsored by Young Conservatives of Texas. It was a theatrical form of political protest, in which the group sold pastries whose prices were determined by the ethnicity or gender of potential customers. Women and racial minorities could buy cookies at a discount, but white males had to pay full price. The intent was to send a message that affirmative action is an unjust form of discrimination.

Not everyone appreciated the protest. Two African-American students who didn't like the message filed discrimination complaints with the university. "They were arguing that affirmative action was solely based on race," fumed sophomore Matt Houston. Another black student, junior Kambira Jones, said, "I felt they were attempting to make Hispanics and blacks feel inferior." Campus security shut down the bake sale after 45 minutes. "This was not an issue about free speech," student center director Tim Moore told this newspaper. "It was really an issue where we had a hostile environment being created that was potentially volatile."

This is exactly wrong, and SMU officials ought to be ashamed of themselves. If you have students threatening violence over a political protest, you send campus security in to protect the free speech rights of the protesters. You don't deny the protesters their right to make their opinion heard. True, the Supreme Court famously held that one doesn't have a First Amendment right to yell "Fire!" in a crowded theater, but that's not remotely what the bake sale at SMU amounted to. SMU owes the Young Conservatives an apology. Closing down of the bake sale sends a terrible message to students: If you don't like the ideas at a political protest, you can get school authorities to gag the protesters by threatening violence.

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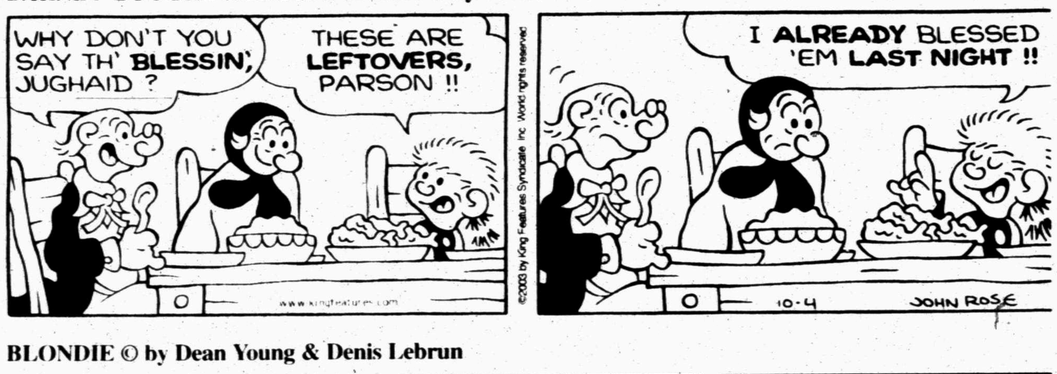
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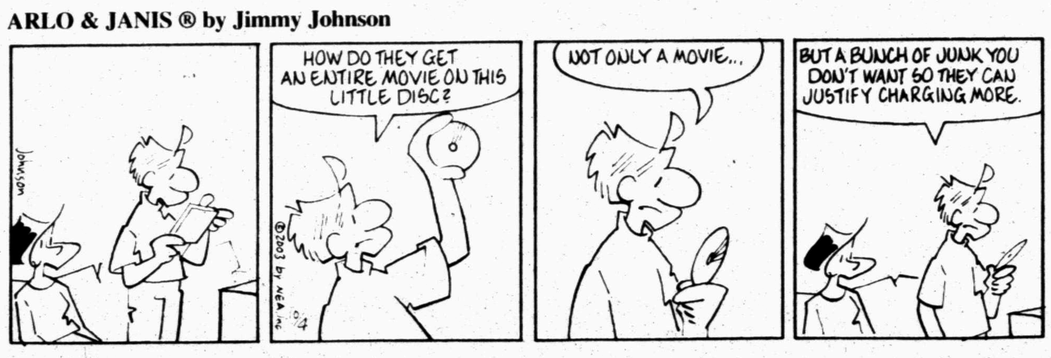
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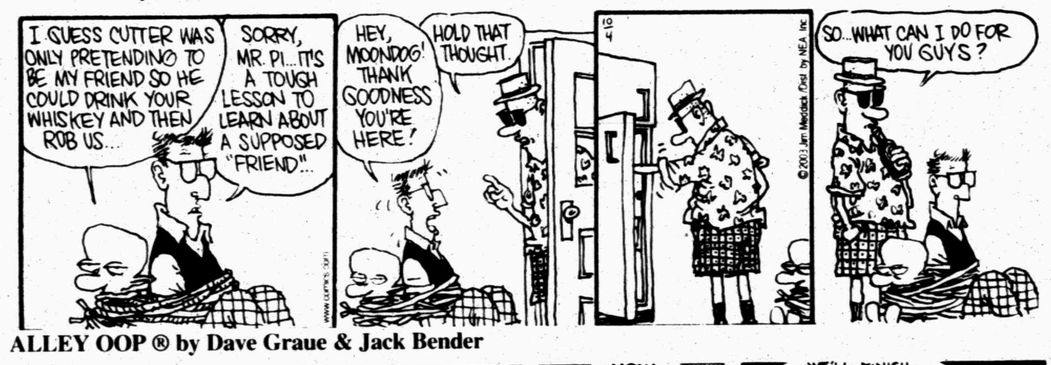
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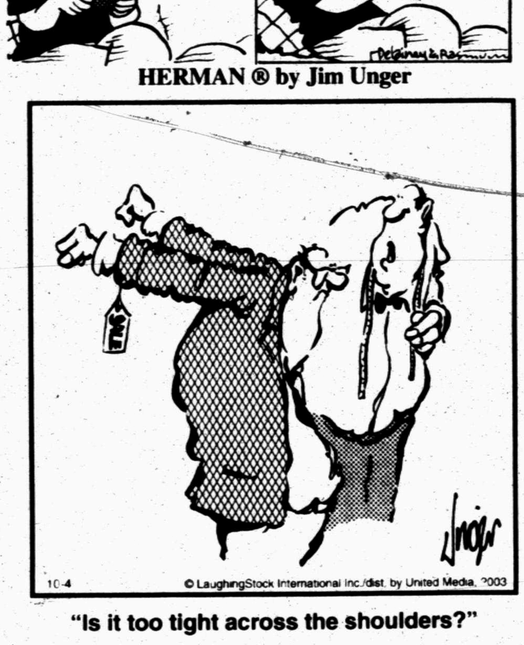
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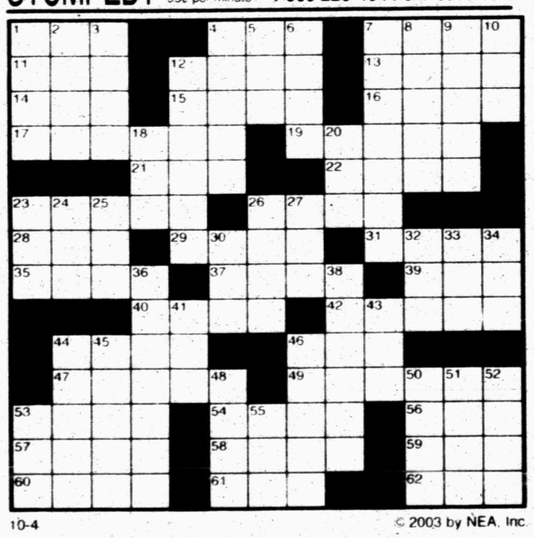
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Pakistan test-fires missile

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistan on Friday test-launched a missile capable of carrying a nuclear warhead, saying it was the first in a series of tests scheduled for the next few days.

India, Pakistan's archrival, was notified before the launch of the Hatf-III Ghaznavi missile. The missile is considered a short-range weapon with a range of 180 miles, but can hit key targets inside India.

"We have successfully test-fired the Hatf-III," said army spokesman Gen. Shaukat Sultan. The Indian government said it was informed beforehand of the test.

In New Delhi, Defense Minister George Fernandes said, "There is nothing special about it," Press Trust of India reported. "It has to be seen whether the missile is their own or provided by North Korea or China."

Sultan would not say where the test was conducted.

The missile test came with Prime Minister Zafarullah Khan Jamali in the middle of a visit to the United States, and two days after he met with President Bush at the White House. The two leaders reportedly discussed terrorism, the India-Pakistan dispute over Kashmir and Washington's desire for Pakistan to contribute peacekeeping troops to Iraq.

India and Pakistan frequently have used missile tests as a form of diplomatic muscle-flexing.

Pakistan denied the test was linked to politics.

"The timings of the tests reflect Pakistan's determination not to engage in a tit-for-tat syndrome to other tests in the region," an army statement said. "Pakistan will maintain the pace of its own missile development program and conduct tests as per its technical needs."

Pakistan's last missile test came on March 26, when it fired off a short-range missile shortly after India announced a similar test.

In 1998, the two countries conducted tit-for-tat nuclear weapons tests, shocking the world and earning years of sanctions.

Reports: Man not bitten by snake

BROWNWOOD (AP) — Doctors determined that a man who claimed he was bitten by a rattlesnake in a Wal-Mart had not been bitten, two radio stations reported Friday.

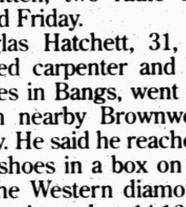
Douglas Hatchett, 31, a self-employed carpenter and painter who lives in Bangs, went to Wal-Mart in nearby Brownwood on Monday. He said he reached for a pair of shoes in a box on a shelf when the Western diamondback rattler, estimated at 14-16 inches long, bit him in the hand.

However, KBWD-AM and KOXE-FM in Brownwood reported that Brownwood Regional Medical Center doctors told police Hatchett had not been bitten by a rattler when they examined him Monday.

Brownwood Police Chief Virgil Corwin referred questions Friday to Brown County prosecutor Michael Murray, who said he had received no reports on the matter.

Neither Hatchett nor hospital officials immediately returned calls from The Associated Press seeking comment.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003

Through some rather unique circumstances in the year ahead, interesting developments could transpire that will give you an inside track to success. It will give you an edge in both your career and personal affairs.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Don't hesitate to take over the management of a situation today where you feel others are not protecting your interest in a shared matter as they should. Protect your involvement.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Don't discount your common sense today when it comes to your financial affairs, but be sensitive to your instincts as well. Your sixth sense may turn you on to something good.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Your demeanor today will alert others to the fact that you're not to be taken lightly. You won't be domineering or anything like that, but could emit a quiet force that'll get everyone's attention.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Sometimes it is necessary to prime the pump in order to produce a flow. Today might be one of those times when a bit of seed money is needed to stimulate a sluggish intake.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — If you learn today that a cohort shares your objectives and interests, it would behoove you to team up with this person. Two heads and four hands can collectively produce greater force.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — For best results today, don't broadcast your intentions prematurely to others. Once you accomplish your purposes, you can then be quick to use your success as you see fit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Just because someone you care about may be somewhere that isn't nearby, your telephone is, so you have no excuse for not keeping in touch. Do so today; she or he is hoping to hear from you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — There are chances stirring at this time that could have a beneficial effect on your work or career. It might have something to do with a new job or promotion, or even going out on your own.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — The reason your judgment might be a bit keener than usual at this time is because your sensitivities are heightened as well. This combination makes for more perceptive decisions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — An associate who is privy to some inside information concerning work-related issues may share it with you today. What you learn could be extremely helpful in furthering your career.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Diplomacy and tact will take you much further today than would aggressive action in all your involvements. When you treat others respectfully, they, in turn, smile on your needs and desires.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Although you might be a bit slow getting out of the starting blocks today, you'll pick up momentum as you go along and end up being one of the strong finishers.

Monday, Oct. 6, 2003

Your possibilities for success will be substantially enhanced in the year ahead, but so will your desires for participating in frivolous activities. In order to enjoy them both, you need to keep the latter under control.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Determination and productivity will get you the results you desire today,

but wishful thinking won't. Dreaming is good for conceptualizing, but only action leads to realities.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Your social world could collapse today if you're cliquish. The very

people you try to exclude could form their own group and be the ones everyone wants to be with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — This could be a highly successful day for you careerwise, yet things might not live up to your expectations and greatly disappoint you if your hopes are set too high. Be realistic.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — There's a time and place for letting your heart rule your head, but when it comes to serious considerations, only logical and rational reflection should be used, which is what you'll need today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Chances for adding to your income and resources are exceptionally strong today, but not because of Lady Luck. This will come to pass only when you truly do your part to earn rewards.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — What you say you want and what you're willing to do for it today are two different things. Success has a better chance of becoming a reality when you're more productive and less vocal.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Usually you start your week off with a bang, but not so today. Your mind could be willing, but your body is sorely lagging behind, so just be careful not to get in over your head at this time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Associates are always impressed by your drive and tenaciousness. However, if you want to bewitch them into liking you, you need to make modesty your most notable trait.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — There will be plenty of opportunities and possibilities for growth around you today where your career is concerned, yet you might take luck for granted and they'll count for nothing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You might be more dependent upon your personality to persuade your audience on your points of view today than on using your intellect to convince them. Use facts, not dynamics, to charm them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — It's OK if you can afford to go overboard in gratifying a desire of a loved one today, but if you can't and still try, you may not only deprive yourself but seriously spoil this person.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — So long as someone is agreeing with you, you'll be your usual congenial self today. However, let a challenge to your thinking erupt and self-righteousness on your part could block your progress.

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San Antonio man is charged after boating accident death

HORSESHOE BAY (AP) — A San Antonio man has been charged with failure to stop and render aid in connection with a May boating accident in which a Texas Tech University graduate was knocked from a boat and drowned on Lake LBJ.

Robert Napier Corrigan III was arraigned Thursday in Llano County, said Gordon Eckert, the Texas Parks and Wildlife game warden handling the case. Corrigan was arrested Wednesday while dove hunting in Frio County and was released from the Llano County Jail after posting $100,000 bond Thursday, officials said.

Eckert said Corrigan was driving a boat on Lake LBJ when it struck one carrying Laura Putnam about 2 a.m. May 26.

Putnam, 23, was knocked into the water and her body was pulled from the lake June 8, Eckert said. The boat that struck the craft carrying Putnam and two others stopped briefly after the collision and then left the scene, he said.

"They were sitting still and the other boat ran over them," Eckert said.

If convicted, Corrigan faces up to 10 years in prison and a $10,000 fine.

Lake LBJ is near Horseshoe Bay, about 45 northwest of Austin.

Experience is the hardest kind of teacher. It gives you the test first and the lesson afterward.

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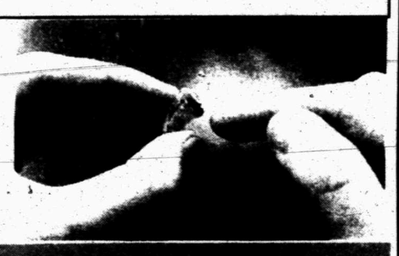
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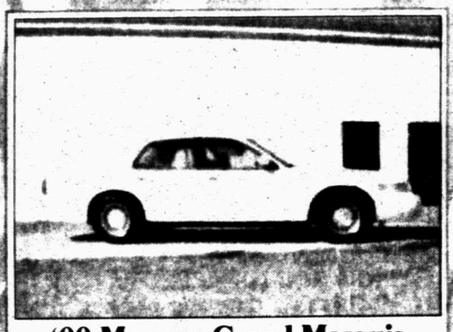
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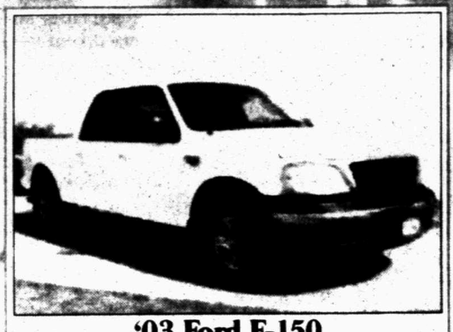
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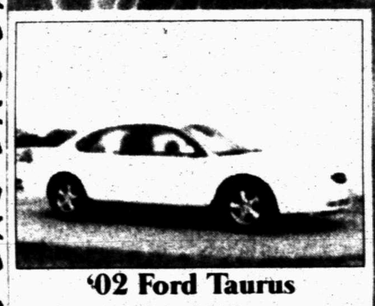
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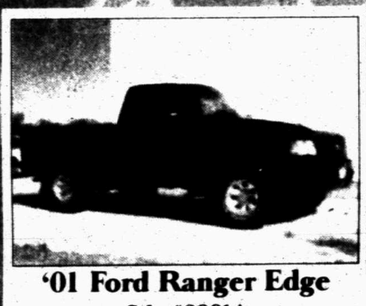
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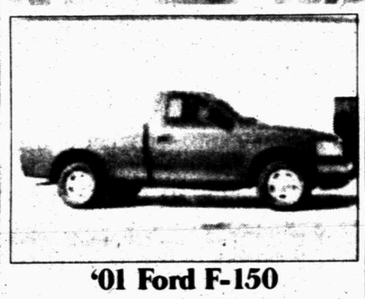
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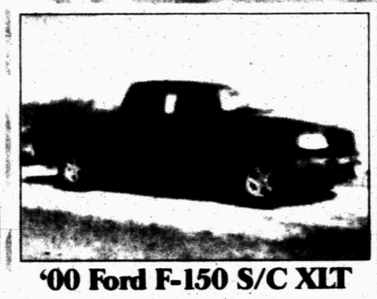
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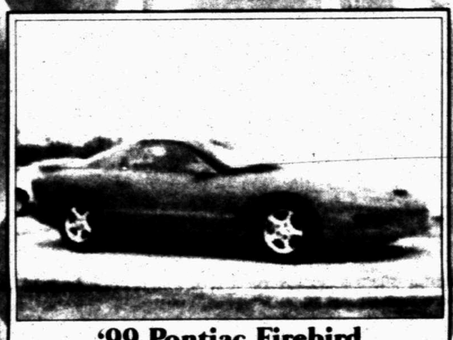
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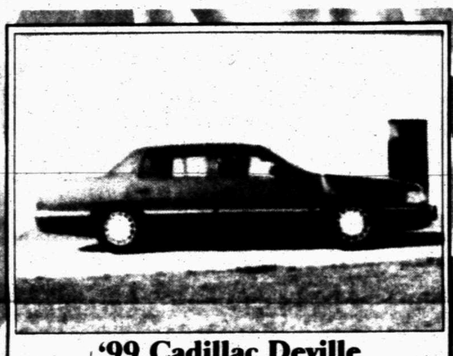
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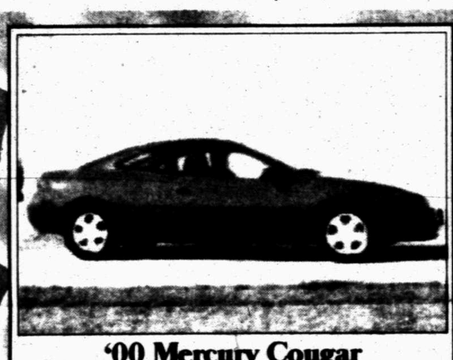
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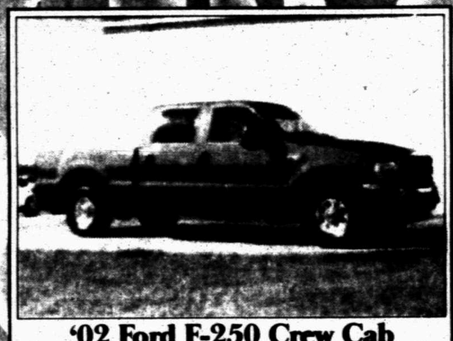
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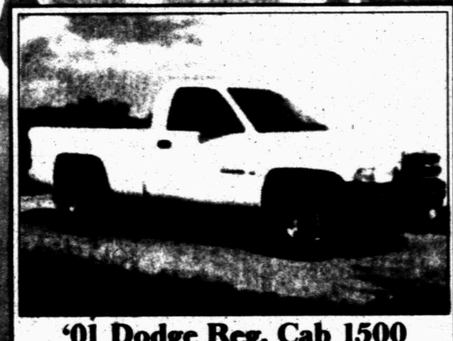
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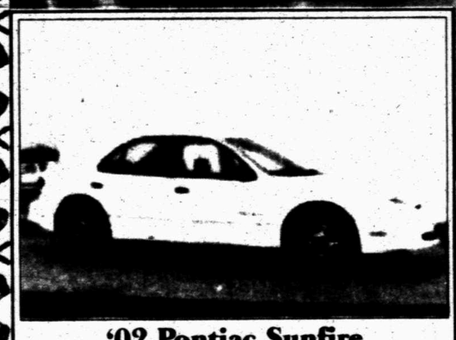
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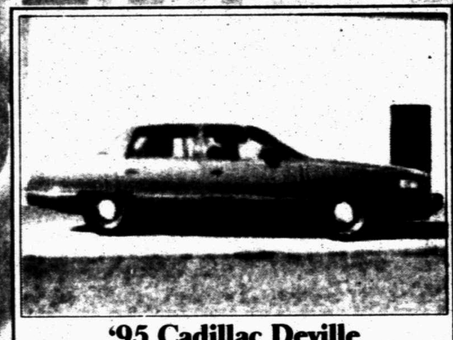
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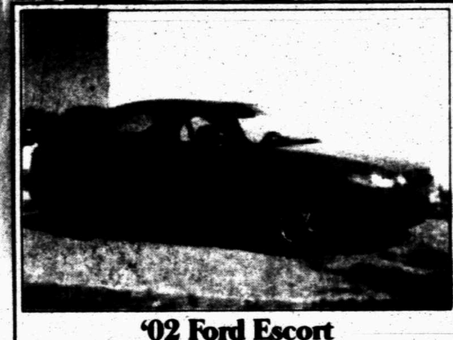
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